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 DATE: 7/30/74  
 INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD: 10/29/73-7/10/74

TITLE OF CASE: BLACK MAFIA  
 REPORT MADE BY: [redacted]  
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BLACK MAFIA

CHARACTER OF CASE:

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## REFERENCES

Philadelphia report of SA [redacted] 11/30/73,  
 titled "BLACK MAFIA";  
 Philadelphia airtel to Bureau, 1/21/74;  
 Philadelphia letter to Bureau, 6/26/74.

## LEADS

Due to the volume of leads in the Philadelphia area, they are not being set out in this report. Investigation in this matter continues to be vigorously pursued.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

This report includes intelligence information developed at Philadelphia regarding activities of a loose-knit Black organized criminal element known as the Black Mafia.

Throughout the body of this report are numerous references to a group called Black Incorporated and/or Black B Incorporated. This group is known as the Black Mafia. According to their attorney, NINO V. TINARI, this group disbanded during the month of April 1974; however, has merely ceased to call itself Black Incorporated and to have a permanent "business address." The group as a whole remains in existence but they are not as overt as in the past. Additionally, their "business meetings" are conducted clandestinely. With these exceptions, nothing regarding this group appears to have changed. The Black Mafia continues to grow in number and to spread its sphere of influence in the area of criminal activity, as well as in geographical area. It has become increasingly difficult, if not impossible, to discern where the so called Black Mafia ends and the Black Muslims begin, as can be seen in the body of this report. Also, Black Mafia appears to be developing vital political connections on the local level, particularly within the court system. Informant information indicated that some policemen, particularly Black policemen, have been paid off by the Black Mafia in order to carry out their illegal activities with relative impunity. These allegations have not yet been substantiated but are being pursued.

As this matter is being developed, information was developed pertaining to criminal activities within the jurisdiction of the FBI. This information was disseminated to the proper agencies for whatever action they deemed necessary.

For statistical purposes, this information is being used in reports with numbers and names of individuals mentioned only briefly in order to show the scope of this activity as

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subject of Philadelphia file 182-3154, and will be subsequently provided the Bureau in appropriate communication.

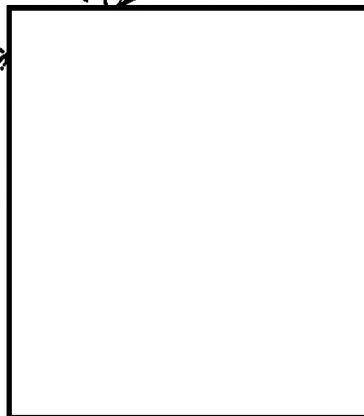
Information copies of this report are being provided New York, Detroit, Atlanta, and Newark, because information developed during interview with [redacted] the Black Mafia member who said these cities have Black Mafia connections. b7C

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

An additional copy of this report is provided the Bureau for possible dissemination purposes.

The investigative period in this report is extensive for those reasons set forth in referenced communication, 6/26/74, which outlined case agent's participation in several specials.

The information obtained from the following interviews was given confidentially and has been therefore included in the Administrative section of this report.



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SAs [redacted] and [redacted] on December 4,  
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[redacted] was interviewed at Point Breeze and Federal Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., at which time he admitted he was engaged in small time gambling operations where he accepts small bets on the street, and never exceeds \$40.00 a day total. [redacted] was questioned regarding the fact that he might have been approached by the Black Mafia and requested to pay a certain amount of money to continue in his numbers writing activities. [redacted] denied ever being approached by the Black Mafia and stated that his operation was so small that they would have no interest in approaching him as he would not be able to afford to pay anything from the money he received.

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[redacted] stated that there is talk on the street that several individuals have been approached by the Black Mafia and a certain amount of money demanded in order to allow these individuals to continue their operation. [redacted]

[redacted] stated that some numbers writers have been approached and also legitimate store owners. [redacted] stated that the people on the street are scared to death of the so-called Black Mafia which he believes is made up of individuals associated with the Black Muslims in Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted]

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[redacted] furnished the names of the following individuals who he has heard were approached by the Black Mafia and demanded to pay between \$150 and \$300 a week to continue their operations:

(FNU) [redacted] - [redacted]

[redacted] (LNU) - [redacted]

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[redacted] (LNU) - [redacted]

[redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted] was approached by the Black Mafia approximately three weeks ago and beat up because he was not paying his money as demanded.

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[redacted] (PH) - [redacted] is a Negro male, approximately 5' 6", 200 pounds, light complexion, who is a numbers writer at the corner of Point Breeze and Wharton Streets, Philadelphia, Pa.

[redacted] was unable to identify anyone associated with the Black Mafia or their extortion demand in this area. He only stated that [redacted] was affiliated with the Black Mafia and that he was the individual who was responsible for placing Black Incorporated trash cans around the neighborhood.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

On April 15, 1974 [redacted] telephonically contacted the Philadelphia Office of the FBI to advise that he would like to give information to the FBI concerning the Black Mafia organization in Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted] was advised that he could come to the Philadelphia Office, which is located on the eighth floor of the Federal Office Building, 600 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa., and be interviewed at any time. [redacted] advised that he would rather not be seen entering the FBI Office and asked if it would be possible to give the information to SA [redacted] at a restaurant known as Fields, which is located at 4th and Market Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted] was told that SA [redacted] would meet him at that address at 4:30 p.m., on April 16, 1974. b7C

On April 16, 1974 [redacted] BEDC, arrived at the Fields Restaurant at approximately 5:45 p.m., at which time he introduced himself. At that time, [redacted] was advised by SA [redacted] that the appointment at 4:30 p.m. had been set up at his request and that if he could not make it on time the least he should have done was to call. [redacted] was further advised that this was not an interview but an opportunity for him to give any information to the FBI concerning the Black Mafia. [redacted] was also advised that any information that he should give which did not fall under FBI jurisdiction would be disseminated to the proper agency, be it Federal, State, or local, without using his name. b7C

At that time, [redacted] advised that he recently had a public battle with [redacted] of the Nation of Islam, concerning the NOI's connection with Black B, Incorporated, a known front for the Black Mafia. He stated that [redacted] had vehemently denied this and had made certain threats on his life. [redacted] stated that he was not particularly worried for himself, but was upset and afraid for his wife and family, and other members of the BEDC. b7C

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[redacted] related that approximately a week or two ago, a young female Negro employee by the name of [redacted] who works at the [redacted], located in the [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa., had received several threatening calls, one of which included a threat to kidnap her. No overt threat has been made to kidnap her, or to harm her in any way. [redacted] stated that he had heard from other employees of his organization that a Negro male, whose first name is [redacted] had followed [redacted] home on a few occasions. [redacted] was asked if this information had been given to the Philadelphia Police Department since they would have primary jurisdiction. He stated that he did not but that he would do so after thoroughly interviewing [redacted]. At the time, [redacted] was advised that based on the fact that he had furnished, no Federal violation within the jurisdiction of the FBI had been violated.

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[redacted] then advised that on April 15, 1974, a female employee by the name of [redacted] who lives in [redacted], was approached by a Negro male by the name of [redacted] an [redacted] in [redacted] allegedly told [redacted] that he knew that she had driven to Philadelphia, Pa., on the previous weekend along with two other employees of [redacted] driving [redacted] car. He allegedly further advised [redacted] that she does not know what she is getting herself into, and that he [redacted] was a no good (obscene) who snorts cocaine and also uses heroin on occasion. [redacted] further allegedly told [redacted] that he thought it best for her own safety that she quit her connection with [redacted]

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Again, [redacted] was advised that on the basis of the facts that he had furnished that it did not appear to be any violation of the law under which the FBI has jurisdiction. He was further told that if [redacted] felt that there had been a threat against her life, she should report it to the Chester, Pa., Police Department.

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[redacted] stated that it is well known fact that the Nation of Islam is behind the Black B, Incorporated, organization located at 1443 South Street, Philadelphia, Pa., and that many of these members belong to the NOI. [redacted] stated that during a personal meeting with [redacted] [redacted] offered him \$30,000 if he would stop his public pronouncements against

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Black B. Incorporated, and the Black Mafia. Since that time, [ ] stated that his organization has received several threatening telephone calls and various other incidents, small in nature, have happened which makes him think that the NOI or the Black Mafia may want to kill him. b7C b7D

[ ] stated that [ ] had mentioned to him personally, and also during a news conference called to refute the charges made by [ ] against the NOI, and publicly stated that he himself could not be held responsible for what might happen to [ ] if he should continue his attacks upon the NOI. [ ] further stated that some of his followers might feel that this is a personal threat upon their spiritual leader and take matters into their own hands. b7C b7D

[ ] then advised that it had recently come to his attention that [ ] for Common Pleas Judge JULIAN KING, is the brains behind the Black B. Incorporated, and also the organization which preceeded it known as the Council for Youth and Community Development, which is located on the corner of 20th and Pemberton Street, Philadelphia, Pa. [ ] stated that he received a telephone call at his office earlier that day from [ ] asking for a meeting with him, [ ] in the chambers of JULIAN KING. [ ] was also advised that KING would also be there for the meeting and that a discussion would be made concerning the publicity which has been directed toward [ ] connection with the Black Mafia. b7C b7D

[ ] told [ ] that he had help set up the Council for Youth and Community Development but had nothing to do with the incorporation of the Black B. Incorporated, nor is he or has he been a member of the Black Mafia. [ ] further advised that he had been embarrassed and slandered and might take steps to sue [ ] A, and his organization in the courts. At that time, [ ] asked the writer if the FBI had any information concerning FBI investigations or what might be included in a file of the FBI disclosed outside the Department of Justice to a private individual. [ ] was further told that this is not only the FBI's policy, but that it is Federal Law. [ ] stated that he appreciated the writer being frank, but that he had to ask the question.

[ ] then stated that he had two letters in his possession from two prisoners who are presently incarcerated, one at the Philadelphia Detention Center, and the other at Graterford Prison. In these letters, according to [ ] mention is made of the Nation of Islam and what they are planning against b7C b7D

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[redacted] and his organization [redacted] stated that he would make xerox copies of the letters and forward to the FBI as soon as possible.

[redacted] stated that he would gladly furnish the FBI any and all information concerning any violation of Federal law in which the FBI has jurisdiction. He stated that he would call and give the information to SA [redacted] and that he did not want to use his name. [redacted] was told that this was perfectly alright but that many times in the past he was not in the office and he might not receive the information personally. At that time, [redacted] stated that should SA [redacted] not be in, he would leave a message asking for SA [redacted] at 3000 Somerset Street and that would be a clue to contact him at 3000 on Somerset Street in Philadelphia, Pa.

At approximately 0:40 a.m., the conversation ended.

as [redacted] co-owner of [redacted] Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted] The interviewing agents, SA [redacted] and [redacted], were told that the purpose of the [redacted] was to obtain information obtained by the [redacted] as a possible victim of an extortion racket operated by an organization of black hoodlums. Mr. [redacted] furnished the following information:

known as the "Black Belt" are involved in a number of criminal activities. It is advised, the dominant West and South Philadelphia section moving into the North Philadelphia section. Although the East Philadelphia section is providing protection money, it has been advised that the East Corner Clwood's has been advised that the East Philadelphia section is the dominant section of the "Black Belt" and that the East Philadelphia section is the dominant section of the people in Philadelphia. It is advised that the East Philadelphia section is the dominant section of the professional policemen who live in Philadelphia.

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On January 18, 1974, [redacted] of the R. L. Rowell Company, Germantown and Chester Avenues Philadelphia, Pa., advised that he is a former Philadelphia police officer of nine years. [redacted] stated that he is one of probably six successful place-the-bomb store operators in the Philadelphia area. At his present location, he has over 100 employees and a yearly payroll of over one million dollars.

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3/15/74	SALES	180.00				180.00
4/1/74	SALES	120.00				120.00
4/15/74	SALES	90.00				90.00
5/1/74	SALES	300.00				300.00
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6/1/74	SALES	160.00				160.00
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[redacted] advised me the first two robberies occurred March 28, 1972 and March 29, 1972 and that the three robberies were committed by the same individuals. When they came into the store they got approximately \$100 each and when they returned on the 30th they obtained over \$1,000 and approximately \$1,000 worth of clothing. [redacted] told me that he has periodically received calls from individuals or individuals who are coming to him regarding "brother." He advised he has also been receiving calls telling him that he needs protection. The robbery at the store occurred December 1, 1972. [redacted] said that he had come into the store and loaded some merchandise. [redacted] said that he was alone at the time. [redacted] said that he had called the police and the FBI. [redacted] said that he had called the FBI and the police. [redacted] said that he had called the FBI and the police. [redacted] said that he had called the FBI and the police.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted]

On January 9, 1974 [redacted] telephone number [redacted] advised that he is the owner of Brown's Bar, located at the above address.

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He advised that some time during November 1973, he was approached by three Negro males who were later identified to be [redacted] who appeared to be the leader of the group, told [redacted] that he wanted to talk to him in his office. [redacted] took [redacted] to his office in the back of the bar, but he refused to let [redacted] and [redacted] enter the office. He locked the door so that only he and [redacted] were in the room.

[redacted] advised [redacted] that he was representing Black, Incorporated, and that he had heard that [redacted] was in the illegal numbers business. He told [redacted] that Black, Incorporated, had very bona fide sources of information so that it is impossible for [redacted] to deny his illegal business. [redacted] further advised [redacted] that because of his illegal business, he [redacted] needed protection. [redacted] asked [redacted] what kind of protection was he talking about. [redacted] stated he meant protection from those who might want to rip him off.

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[redacted] advised [redacted] that he was a hard working businessman and that his bar was barely breaking even as far as money was concerned. He further told [redacted] that he had never been in any kind of illegal activity and that he did not intend on starting one now. [redacted] further stated to [redacted] that he had enough help in the bar to handle all protection matters regardless of the occasion.

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[redacted] told [redacted] not to get excited and that he did not have to pay the whole \$1,000 at one time. He advised [redacted] that he would take part of the money now and that periodic payments could be made. At about that time, [redacted] who was outside the door, shouted to [redacted] that "it is time to go, and we will come back tomorrow." "When we get back, [redacted] had better have his mind made up." At that time, all three men left.

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[redacted] stated that he was so mad at the attempted extortion that he went out and bought himself a shotgun to protect his bar, he also, after talking to numerous friends and legal counsel, decided to contact the Philadelphia Police Department.

Upon reporting the above happenings to the Philadelphia Police Department, one of his bartenders was wired so that the next extortion attempt could be heard and taped by the Philadelphia Police Department. However, the stake-out and the wiring of the bartender did not work out, because a group of young blacks came into the bar the next day while the police were on stake-out. The bartender, who was wired, thought that the group was there to collect the extortion money and hollered out for the police to come in and get them. The stake-out team rushed in and arrested three individuals. Upon arresting them, it was determined that they were not connected with Black, Incorporated, in any way.

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[redacted] stated that after the initial contact, [redacted] and a couple of other fellows returned several times, but they never asked for any money. [redacted] stated that [redacted] of the Philadelphia Police Department was the man in charge of this investigation.

[redacted] was asked if he knew of or if he had heard of others being extorted. He advised that he did not know of anyone for sure besides himself but that he had heard that the owner of Ike's Corner, located at Stanton and Narragansett Streets, is being extorted. Also, [redacted] located at [redacted] was also contacted by the Black Mafia.

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[redacted] was allegedly run out of town until he could come up with enough money to pay off Black, Incorporated. [redacted]

[redacted] allegedly was run out of business by the Black Mafia. They extorted money from him and robbed him several times. [redacted] also mentioned that a filling station owner, located at 5900 Ogontz Avenue, was killed earlier this year, allegedly by the Black Mafia.

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On January 8, 1974 [redacted] was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents, SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] and that the reason for the interview was concerning information they had received that Black, Incorporated, had intentions of extorting money from his bar, or that contact had been made already to extort money from him.

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[redacted] advised that he, along with his brothers, [redacted] were the proprietors of the bar called the 71st Lounge, located at 1920 Middleton Street, Philadelphia, Pa., telephone number WA4-9333. [redacted] stated that he had heard that members of the Black Mafia were going around to various narcotic pushers and others doing some type of illegal business and extorting money, but that he had not heard that legitimate black businessmen were now being extorted.

[redacted] stated that neither he nor any of his brothers had received any threats nor had anyone come into his bar stating that he needed protection. He stated that at all times one of his brothers are on duty at the bar and that they did not fear any type of extortion.

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[redacted] was asked if he were paying extortion money, would he then cooperate with law enforcement agencies. [redacted] advised agents that he definitely was not paying extortion money to anyone and that should he be contacted he would immediately telephone the Philadelphia Police Department and the FBI.

[redacted] thanked the Bureau Agents for their information and advised should he hear anything about other black businessmen being extorted, he would immediately contact the FBI.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on December 12, 1973:

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On December 10, 1971, [redacted] (protest) of [redacted] was interviewed at his place of business, approximately [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. It should be noted that the above location is a garage and office leased by WHITE.

At this time, [redacted] was advised that information had been received indicating he was being harassed or pressured by the so-called Black Mafia.

At this time, [redacted] advised that this information was not totally correct. He stated that he was aware of a group calling itself the Black Mafia. He also stated that he is aware of a group calling itself the Black Mafia. He also stated that he is aware of a group also calling itself the Black, Incorporated.

He stated that approximately one year ago, he donated \$50.00 to the Black, Incorporated. He stated he gave this money to [redacted] a friend of his who is also an officer of the Black, Incorporated.

He stated that he did not know that this organization was doing the work in the community and he made this donation to help them with their work.

[redacted] stated that he was not pressured by anyone to make this donation. He stated that he made this donation of his own free will. He stated that this donation was made to Black, Incorporated, and not to any other organization.

[redacted] stated that approximately three or four months ago, he was contacted by an individual calling himself [redacted]. This individual came by [redacted] and [redacted] and for [redacted] he [redacted] him.

[redacted] stated that he considered [redacted] and [redacted] as some of his friends. He stated that he later advised [redacted] this supposed contract.

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He advised that on a later date, [ ] advised him that as far as he could find out, no one had issued such a "contract." He stated that [ ] gave him two red or pink stickers to place on his window telling him that might help a little bit with any similar incidents. These are circular stickers and bear the notes, "Edward, Norton to Thief - and Robbers: This location is protected by Black, Incorporated." [ ] stated that there is no protective service provided by Black, Incorporated. He advised mostly surveillances are used and no security precautions are utilized by Black, Incorporated. He further stated that he paid no money for the use of these stickers.

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[ ] advised that [ ] came by again talking about this contract and the FBI. He stated that at this time he told [ ] to get out and not to bother him any more. He stated that when [ ] came around on these occasions he was wearing a suit and tie and had the same hairstyle. He stated he felt [ ] was either from the Black Mafia or the Black Muslims, but never found out.

He stated that [ ] was somewhat concerned over this and as a result [ ] applied for and obtained a permit to have a handgun for protection. He stated that he purchased the handgun and he has applied for a permit to carry this weapon on his person.

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[ ] also told [ ] and his friends tried this same scheme. [ ] is a Negro male, approximately [ ] years old, and operates the [ ] store. He stated that he and [ ] are close friends and [ ] told him about the incident.

[ ] is a 1980 stock of Warner Super, [ ] that [ ] refused to pay and [ ] and his friends off.

[ ] had been by his place of [ ] Brown Buick, [ ] stated that he has seen [ ] drive a late model Monte Carlo.

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[ ] advised that he is doing fairly well with his garage, but has not done well enough to be able to [ ] \$3,000. He advised that he wears modern clothes and drives a Lincoln Continental.

He stated that he knows [ ] and has known them for many years. He stated that both became Muslims quite a while back, and that then they have been trying to recruit him. He stated both of them have pending murder charges on their records. He advised that [ ] were probably the ones who told [ ] about him being "well off."

[ ] stated he has heard that [ ] is being pushed around to get his car, and has heard that other people have been pushed around also, but he does not know any other specific names.

He stated that when he becomes aware of the identity of any person who has been pushed around or if anyone else attempts to push him, he will immediately contact this writer.

[ ] furnished the following information to [ ] C. G.R. in confidence:

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[ ] stated that there is an organization of Negro hoodlums located in South Philadelphia under the name of "Black [ ]" incorporated. [ ] stated that the [ ] are primarily engaged in extortion, robbery, and drug operation, and narcotics business. They have their headquarters in the [ ] where they congregate. [ ] stated that the group is very big, and [ ] the Black Muslim movement. [ ] stated that there are others [ ] and [ ] further that [ ] to find out the location of [ ] and then furnish the information to [ ] The Big Brothers then [ ] the [ ] and [ ] money from [ ] of the [ ] crop.

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[redacted] stated that in spite of the fact that the Black Mafia members are well organized, they are having extreme difficulties in South Philadelphia. [redacted] stated that this is due in part to the fact that many of their top leaders have had serious trouble with the law and have not been able to adequately supervise the organization. Currently, a gang of young toughs in their early twenties, known as the 20th and Carpenter Street gang, is engaged in a full scale battle with the South Philadelphia branch of the Black Mafia.

██████████ stated that he had been approached by ██████████ who offered to sell him all the numbers business he wanted. According to ██████████, 11 of the black writers now working for white houses would be sold to him and their business over to SAMBARTON, or ██████████. ██████████ could be backed by the muscle and money of the [redacted] ██████████ stated that for the time being, he had turned down this offer because he does not wish to violate his federal probation.

[redacted] also stated that members of the Black Mafia had approached his old boss, [redacted], and offered him protection money from him. In return he cut down on his protection money, [redacted] replied, "He was too dumb to pull out one occasionally to furnish the other side." [redacted] answered on 52nd and Baltimore Avenue. [redacted] stated that he used this location to conduct business with [redacted] who is now run by [redacted] girl friend [redacted]

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On January 27, 1974 during an interview of [redacted] at [redacted], Apartment A-12, Trade Mills, Pa., the following information was obtained, which [redacted] wished to be kept confidential.

[redacted] stated that numerous other black businessmen and bar owners are represented by the Black Muslim. They are members of the Black Muslim. We could not verify that these people are paying, however, these names have been mentioned:

2. Ikuta on the lot, corner of Narayagarets, and Stenton Avenues;

4. Brownell, Inc., 7700 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Avenue;

2. General, 334, 7400 block of G. W. Ave.;

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[redacted] advised [redacted] that [redacted] had had a bad fire and that he was sure that [redacted] was going to get hired to do the remote work. [redacted] told him no because he already had someone else in mind for the job. According to [redacted] it was shortly thereafter that he was told in a private conversation with [redacted] that [redacted] had "put him down" as a first choice.

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[redacted] that the following bar owners have been approached by the Black Muslim:

1. [redacted] operator of the Storybook Inn, 23rd and Dickinson Streets in South Philadelphia. They have almost run him out of business because they hang out there and have run his regular customers away.

2. [redacted] who owns the corner at Stanton and Narragansett Streets. [redacted] was "taken" out of his bar by the Muslims and taken to the temple to see for four months ago. He is "taking care" of them, according to [redacted].

3. [redacted] who has a bar on Market Street, was not allowed in his bar for several weeks because he became afraid after they came to him demanding protection money. He was told to pay or else.

4. Brownie's Bar on Gentry Avenue.

5. [redacted] (W. B. BROWN), owner of the El Dorado Bar on Germantown Avenue near Erie Avenue. He was kidnapped one and a half years ago by the Muslims who wanted \$10,000. So had \$100 on him and hid the money. They also kidnapped the wife and son of [redacted] who lives at Mt. Pleasant and [redacted] constructed a fence and placed flood lights around the [redacted] house.

6. [redacted] who owns a bar on [redacted] in Germantown, was run out of business by the Black Muslim and has since left to [redacted].

7. [redacted] who owns a bar on [redacted] Avenue has also been [redacted] by the Muslims.

8. [redacted] who owns a bar on [redacted] Avenue has also been [redacted] by the Muslims.

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1. [redacted] who owns a bar on [redacted] Avenue
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4. Poppy's Bar on Armat Street in Germantown;

5. Ruben's, an after hours joint where they hang out and gamble, which is licensed on 14th between Chamberland and Huntingdon.

[redacted] that [redacted] is one of the principal leaders of the Black P. O. and the young gang boys in South Philadelphia "have been giving fire" to the Black Mafia. A fellow was shot with a .45, on February 12, 1974, and the guy doing the shooting was a Muslim. The Black Mafia recently flew "hit men" in from Chicago to "hit someone" and he was seen at Carabaldi's.

[redacted] son [redacted] is now a big man in the Muslims and is hooked up with the Black Mafia.

The Muslim is a recruiting fellow who go to jail and this is where many of the are indoctrinated. A case in point is [redacted] (LNU), who spent in his bar and was convicted and went to prison. After getting out he went back into his bar [redacted] and said that he was "in the red now" meaning he was a Muslim. According to [redacted], the Muslims are assigned to certain criminal spots when they go on the street. [redacted] also indicated that [redacted] is very important and when he was arrested his house was surrounded by police and his surrender came at his mother's urging and found in his house was an arsenal of weapons.

[redacted] because of recent events in Philadelphia, there are some individuals who have expressed grave concern over the Muslim.

[redacted] furnished all telephone numbers [redacted] and [redacted]

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Synopsis:

Intelligence information reflects the existence of a Black organized criminal element in Philadelphia known as the Black Mafia (BM). The BM membership continues to grow in number, to expand geographically in the Philadelphia area, and to expand its control of illicit activities. Several central figures in the BM have been arrested and are presently incarcerated.

"The Black Mafia is an organized group of Black individuals involved in criminal activities including, but not limited to, murder, robbery, extortion, and narcotics trafficking. The Black Mafia's primary weapons used to control these criminal activities are the use of fear and violence."

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DETAILS:

I. EXISTENCE AND NOI RELATIONSHIP

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A. NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

The following newspaper articles reflect the existence of the Black Mafia in Philadelphia:

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# Black Gangsters at War for Drug Profits

**TRENTON (UPI)** — The top federal narcotics officer in Pennsylvania and southern New Jersey told a state panel yesterday of a major drug war raging in the Philadelphia-South Jersey area.

The war, said Arthur Lewis, head of the Philadelphia office of the Drug Enforcement Administration, pits ambitious black traffickers against the long-established "old line criminal groups."

According to Lewis, who testified before the State Commission of Investigation,

the prize is the lucrative profits from "doing business in heroin and other narcotics."

"THERE is a major drug war going on," Lewis told the panel. "These young fellows are fighting for a position in that trade. They are establishing their own lines and organizations."

Lewis said in the past two years "black" organizations trafficking in narcotics, especially heroin, have emerged in Philadelphia, Detroit, Chicago, Atlanta and New York.

Calling themselves the "Black Mafia," the "Frank-

lin'" or the "Organization," they are rapidly gaining power and operating on an interstate and international level, Lewis said.

"They are ruthless and do not hesitate to kill either their competitors or their associates to establish control and authority," he added.

Lewis said he could not comment on the connection between the arrest of Samuel R. Christian, 34, Philadelphia, the slayings in Cherry Hill of Major B. Coxson, his common-law wife and her daughter, and the deaths of five persons in a shoot-out at the

Club Harlem in Atlantic City. CHRISTIAN, described by the FBI as a "reputed cold-blooded killer and murderer for pay," is being held for the Atlantic City and Cherry Hill murders.

"In the southern part of New Jersey," he said, we find heroin being supplied by visitors from Philadelphia, New London and Atlantic City."

He added that "chemical laboratories" are producing drugs and "the main source for the production of heroin is New Jersey and

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P. 3, Phila. Daily News, Phila., Pa.

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# BLACK MINISTERS DECLARE WAR ON BLACK MAFIA

By LEN LEAR

(Of The Tribune Staff)

Prominent members of the Black Economic Development Conference and the Council of Black Clergy on Thursday announced the start of an all-out city-wide campaign by Black ministers and citizens to destroy the Black Mafia and the drug traffic in the Black community.

"We are going to make these vermin in the Black Mafia

known to the police; even though it will put our own lives in jeopardy," stated the Rev. Wycliffe Jungblutrie, "and we are going to involve every Black minister in Philadelphia."

A nine-point program for eliminating the Black Mafia and the drug traffic was revealed at a press conference in the Sheraton Hotel by the Revs. Jungblutrie, Dwight Campbell and Muhammad Kenyatta. The Revs. Lawrence Shepard and Paul Washington were not present but sent their words of support for the program.

## HARD DRUG TRAFFIC

"We realize that the top echelons of the traffic in the hard drug traffic are white mobsters and men in high places capitalizing upon the situation and the Black community," said the Rev. Jungblutrie.

"But we also know that the rise of Black-organized crime is the continuation of hard drug

distribution in our communities is the greatest immediate obstacle to safety, peace and unity among our people."

The three ministers said they plan to seek the active support of every Black minister in the city for their crusade. Those who do not cooperate will be exposed to the entire community, they stated.

"They said they are fully aware of the risks involved in a public crusade against the Black

Mafia, but that they are willing to take these risks. "We are prepared to take the risk of our own lives," said the Rev. Jungblutrie.

## WILLING TO DIE

The three ministers said they are prepared to die for the cause. "We are prepared to die for the cause of the Black community," said the Rev. Jungblutrie.

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drug traffic.

—To seek an audience with Police Commissioner Joseph O'Neill to get him to initiate a crackdown against drug pushers.

—To visit politicians, "especially in light of the claim by many white politicians that they haven't hit this problem for fear of being called racists."

—To call on Black ministers of all faiths to educate their church members about heroin and to publicly denounce all

those engaged in the drug traffic.

—To meet with District Attorney Emmett Fitzpatrick "to let him know that the Black community wants a crackdown on all those involved with pushing drugs, regardless of their race or political affiliation."

—To meet with state legislators "to let them know we want life imprisonment and rehabilitation through hard labor for all."

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## Black Ministers

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drug pushers."

—To focus attention on the gang members who are rewarded for life-league crime and to denigrate them by giving no money to the 95 per cent of young people who are not involved in gang activities.

"The problem is compounded," Jangdarrie said, "by the fact that many policemen are being paid off and many crooked politicians will place a phone call to a judge to get these pushers out of jail as soon as they're arrested. In Detroit they've gotten to the point where whenever people are shooting each other in the street, we'd like to give our 'law-and-order' Mayor and Police Commissioner a hard time, but if that doesn't work, then we may have to use the Detroit solution here."

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# Bloody Struggle for Power in S. Phila.

By TYRRE JOHNSON

Black Brothers Inc. was born last October with some mild fanfare from the media, which reported its goals as ending gang wars, driving out drug peddlers and cleaning up neighborhood trash in South Philadelphia's black community.

Now, five months later, a gang member says, "They tried to take us over and use us. We did the hard work and they drove the Cadillacs."

The gang member doesn't want his name used because he's afraid.

IN THE LAST THREE MONTHS, one Black Brothers Inc. member has been charged with murder and attempted extortion and two others have been charged with extortion attempts in a bitter battle for power that has left three dead and at least a dozen wounded.

Larry Starks, 25, and his son-in-law, Clarence Starks, 22, were charged with trying to extort \$500 a week from a Germantown bar owner. Starks, of East St. near Ellsworth, is reputed by the FBI to be a top leader in the so-called "Black Mafia." They were arrested by FBI agents last Feb.

Clarence Starks, of Filbert St. near 20th, also has been charged with the murder of Jeremiah Middleton, 16, of 1916 Montrose St., last Jan. 7. He was free in \$25,000 bail when charged on the attempted extortion charge.

Leonard Fitzgerald, 21, was charged with robbing a bar owner who refused to pay "protection money." Fitzgerald, of 11th and Chamberland, was arrested last Dec.

Police action has not ended the Black Brothers' fight for power in South Philadelphia.

Gang wars still smolder in the city, and also is responsible for the high unemployment rate.

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MOST OF THE TROUBLE caused by the Black Brothers gang, which operates out of Broad st. in South Philadelphia before Black Brothers emerged.

Many of its 200 members earned their way by mugging, burglarizing and making deliveries and connections for drug pushers.

According to gang sources, Black Brothers wanted to take over those activities, and also put them to work in extortion schemes. The only difference, the sources said, was that gang members would get less of a cut-out of it.

Police said extortion demands range from \$100 to \$700 a week, and involve at least 20 businesses. They said that one Black Brothers member picked up after "making the rounds" had \$4,000 on him.

All such incidents are reported to the Internal Revenue Service because most of the Black Brothers' estimated 100 members have no visible means of support.

AN IRS SPOKESMAN, however, refused to comment on any investigations, and an FBI spokesman said only that it may be checking on "some members."

Information on Black Brothers is hard to get. It's a secretive organization that twice has refused interviews.

The Daily News, however, obtained a copy of the minutes of the group's meeting last Dec. 19.

Much of it is in code and circulated verbatim, but one phrase stands out. Black Brothers, he states, is "out to control everything in the black community."

The minutes list Roosevelt Fitzgerald, 45, of Tasker near 23d st., as the No. 1 man in the organization, referring to him as the "general overseer" and "man in chain of command."

Fitzgerald's name is not on the state-approved, nonprofit corporation papers granted Black Brothers.

"I'VE NEVER heard of him," said the group's attorney, Nino V. Tinari.

The No. 2 man in the minutes is also not on the state-approved papers. He is referred to only as "Brother A."

Gene Hearn, 28, of Lansdowne ave. near 50th st., who is publicly known to head the organization, is listed as the No. 3 man. Lonnie Dawson is in the minutes as the "power inforcer" (sic).

And Samuel Fox, 24, was the leader of the 20th and Carpenter sts. crew, of South Philadelphia, who is listed as the No. 4 man in the organization.

Very little other solid information is to be gleaned from the minutes, except that strict obedience to orders, along military lines, is demanded of members.

Hearn and Fox were arrested in 1967 for drug pushing and extortion. "They're the only ones," he said, "that Leonard Fitzgerald" is not a member of the crew.

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# Police Say Black B.L.I. Front for Drug Dealers

By MIKE LEARY  
Inquirer Staff Writer

The windows of the scruffy storefront office at 1413 South St. are plastered with posters warning drug dealers and thieves to get out of the ghetto and beckoning gang members to lay down the gun and dance at soul music concerts.

From a standard above the usually bolted door swings a sign that reads: "Black B.L.I. Inc., community action group."

But a wide variety of sources — Federal investigators, local police, drug dealers, and gang members — who have had dealings with "the Black B.L.I." as it is known in street parlance, say the group's image is misleading.

They claim that Black Brothers actually is doing in private the complete opposite of what it says it is doing in public, that it is, in fact, making in profits aplenty from

gangs and crime — a disguised subsidiary of the Black Mafia, a Philadelphia-based, multi-city, multi-state crime syndicate.

These sources say Black Brothers members have assumed, in recent months, a major role in the Black Mafia's criminal activities, including racketeering, drug dealing, and other illegal operations.

The Black Mafia's last shake-down of a Philadelphia business was in 1973, according to sources in the Philadelphia Police Department. This income was uncovered in a raid. Two months later, the police picked up another Black Brothers member who is believed to have been involved in the same case.

The Black Brothers are still by some sources in the area.

Contract-kills: Business transaction with the Black Mafia, which has been directly to the Black Brothers. Independent drug dealer Major, from Camden, Cherry Hill, N.J., and even Ronald "Muskrat" Washington, D.C.

Together, they income in the Black Brothers contract, police and street sources say.

Black Brothers are secretive about their activities, but sources say they are involved in the Black Mafia's criminal activities, including racketeering, drug dealing, and other illegal operations.

purely legitimate business and legal to the Black Mafia is concerned.

The leaders of the Black Brothers, these sources say, is to recruit gang members for work as hit men, drug couriers, and blower, using promises of easy money as enticement.

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their brothers in the Dutch community.

Kenya's charges and those of other sources are not based on speculation. In recent months, a number of incidents involving the Black Brothers organization and its members has come to the attention of local law-enforcement agencies.

A few examples:

- On March 4, 22-year-old Jefferson (Pumpkin) Fox, a Black Brothers member, was sentenced to six months in jail for heroin trafficking. Police and other sources say he was the Black Brothers' main contact with New York City narcotics suppliers, and that he controlled the group's drug distribution in Germantown.

- On Feb. 21, two Black Brothers, cousins Larry (Larry) Starks and Clarence (Gefich) Starks, were arrested by the FBI on charges of attempting to extort \$500 from the owner of Nook's Place, a Germantown Bar. The amount is not unusual. Police sources say shopkeepers may be shaken down by the Black B for as little as \$100 monthly and as much as \$500.

- In November 1973, police say, the Black Brothers "put out a contract" — hired 2 professional killers — to have a police narcotics investigator named John D'Amico murdered. D'Amico had arrested some Black Brothers members on narcotics and firearms charges. (D'Amico, his wife, and his daughter were guarded for four months on a 24-hour basis by the police stakeout squad. Twice during that time, shots reportedly were fired at D'Amico, but missed.)

- Since December, at least two people, including two Black Brothers, have been killed in what police and gang sources describe as a running battle between the Black B and the remnants of the 26th and Car-

ter street gangs. The Black Brothers, who are known for their violent and brutal behavior, have been directly linked with many illegal activities.

Both men are former gang leaders who claim to have returned from prison. They are known for their violent and brutal behavior, and have been directly linked with many illegal activities.

In 1971, for instance, Fox and several friends from his old gang — the 26th and Carter street gang — got the city in a row when they burned a firehouse at 20th and Pennock sts. for 31 a year.

Fox organized athletic teams for ghetto youths, and urged them to stay away from drugs and gangs.

### Changed Lifestyle

Police officials, once rather ambivalent, appear to have changed somewhat since then. A short, stocky man, he now dresses in flashy suits, shuchers, and drives in either his brown or his black Cadillac. He is a frequent spectator at Spectrum boxing matches, often in the company of several women.

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He is one of the handful of men who formed the Black Mafia six years ago, police sources say.

Unlike Fox, Fitzgerald lives in a more modest driving car, but a 1971 Mustang, and a black 1971 Volkswagen.

Since 1969 Fitzgerald has been arrested 18 times and convicted seven times on charges ranging from sale of narcotics to burglary. He was arrested in 1971 for possession of narcotics. That case was dismissed.

Fitzgerald's rather rapid rise to the top position in the Black Mafia and, unofficially, the Black Brothers, is not regarded as surprising by street and law-enforcement sources. There has been, it is pointed out, considerable turnover in the organizations' leadership.

### Chieftains Dead

Two original Black Mafia chieftains are dead. Three others are in jail. They are Ronald Harvey, arrested 10 days ago in Chicago in the Coxson and Hackett slayings; Sam Carleton, charged in Coxson's death and that of another reputed drug dealer, Vernon Palmer in Atlantic City, N.J.; and Walter Hudson, now serving a term in prison for armed robbery.

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Police sources say that Fox is a frequent spectator at Spectrum boxing matches, often in the company of several women. Last November, he was detained by police on a disorderly conduct violation. In February, he was charged with a disorderly conduct violation, allegedly for being drunk and disorderly.

Watson was charged immediately with the murders in Camden last year of two Philadelphia men reputedly working as drug couriers for Coxson.

As the deaths of Coxson and Palmer — both large-scale independent drug dealers — indicate, the Black Mafia does not tolerate business competition.

And now that the Black Brothers reputedly have taken over much of the Black Mafia's drug operations, they are operating with similar ruthlessness, sources say.

### 'Want It All'

"They want it all — all the heroin traffic," says a large-scale, independent heroin trafficker in South Philadelphia.

"If a dude crosses them too much, they gonna take him away from here."

The Black Brothers reportedly has a sufficiently large arsenal to implement its aims. "(They) got more pieces (weapons) than anybody in town," says the South Philadelphia drug dealer. "They be their own little army."

The death earlier this year of George Abney, a 33-year-old alleged heroin dealer, illustrates, according to police, the interdependence of the Black Brothers and the Black Mafia, as well as the viciousness with which both operate.

Abney's head was found in an orange pillow case Feb. 20 on the steps of a boarded-up taproom at 12th and Mount Vernon sts., the corner of which he is said to have conveyed his narcotics.

Abney, according to police, was operating in competition with a drug distributorship operated by the Black Brothers. To get rid of him, the Black Brothers reportedly went to the Black Mafia, which supplied an executioner. Police say they have reason to believe that the "hit man" was the same Black Mafia operative who already is being sought in connection with earlier killings.

### Others Fleeing

But the Black Brothers' Black Mafia combine is not known to have frightened persons who criticize them or arrest them, as the contract on D'Amico indicates.

A North Philadelphia Baptist minister who works actively with gang members and urges them to resist the Black Brothers' recruiting tactics, also was guarded like D'Amico by a police stakeout squad after he received death threats.

Donald Robinson, the gang leader who allegedly shot Fox, reportedly did so, sources say, after he was told on the telephone "You're next" only hours after Abney's head was discovered. Robinson, freed on bail in the shooting, immediately went underground to avoid Black Brothers retaliation, friends say.

With particularly prominent critics, the Black Brothers' Black Mafia combine has moved somewhat differently.

Muhammad Kenyatta was approached indirectly with an offer of \$30,000 in return for his silence, informed sources

said. He was told to "take his step."

Reportedly, the offer to Kenyatta was made by a high member of Al Sharpton's Mosque No. 12, the Black Muslim temple here, which lists about 100 members and Black Mafia members in its congregation.

The reason for the alleged interest of the mosque's leaders in Kenyatta's attack on Black Brothers crime in Philadelphia isn't known.

However, it is believed that some Black Mafia-Black Brothers income from drugs and extortion trickles into the mosque in the form of religious tithes say Federal investigators in Washington, D. C., who have assumed topics of mosque donations. Some of the money went to Black Brothers headquarters in Chicago.

### 'Look at Dollars'

"They can always say that the money is (an) Islamic donation from pious Muslims," says one Federal investigator. "But look who the money comes from — pious Muslims like Ronald Harvey Sam Carrington and Nardo Minors."

The imam of Mosque No. 12, Al Sharpton, says Black Brothers' money is not Islamic. He says the mosque has been used for many years as a community center.

And Federal agents have

government officials are careful to say they have no reason to believe that Black Muslims in general, or any organization, are involved in illegal activities.

They are not so cautious in their descriptions of the Black Mafia or the Black Brothers, however.

"Brooks hiding behind legitimate fronts," says one local law enforcement official. And the sources concede that despite recent arrests, the Black Brothers — Black Mafia combine has hardly been put out of business.

"This is common knowledge on the streets of inner city Philadelphia."

"They be big, very big, and they be getting bigger," says a West Philadelphia narcotics dealer, who claims the organization has a contract on his head. "Gonna take an army to stop those dudes," he says. "Cause they ain't your ordinary, low-life sort of crook."

# FEUD ERUPTS BETWEEN MUSLIMS AND BEEG

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Minister Jeremiah, speaking at an "open-to-the public" meeting of the Anti-Slavery Society, at the Lyceum, asked, "who is this Major Knapp, who has set himself up as a leader of the black people? — a negro who is the modern version of the plantation master a slavery man — holding out his black hand to a white gentleman to do as he pleases? — who dares call himself a 'black man'?"

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# Leaders Sway Charges About Dope Traffic

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to Muslim headquarters only  
once and that was the only  
time any dope had ever been  
there and then it was two  
dopes."

When the Tribune contact-  
ed Kenyatta Monday, he  
said in answer to the charges  
that, "We have made no ac-  
cusations about the Nation  
of Islam. We are only con-  
cerned about wiping out the  
hard drug traffic in our Black  
communities."

"It was in this connection  
that we not only asked Mini-  
ster Jeremiah but every  
other Black religious leader  
in Philadelphia, Christian or  
Muslim to help drive the  
pushers out of the communi-  
ties."

## REDFELLOWS?

Kenyatta added, "We be-  
lieve that getting the drug  
pushers out of the neighbor-  
hoods, is a necessary part  
of bringing good to Black  
people. It is certainly true  
that many of the persons  
known to be leaders in Phila-  
delphia's Black Mafia and the  
Black Brothers, Incorporated  
have identified themselves  
as members of the Nation  
of Islam."

"We think that people who  
are sincerely concerned about  
the welfare of the Black  
community will be more in-  
terested in attacking James  
Fox; Jimmie Rame; Jeffar-  
son Fox; Larry Sparks and  
cousin Clarence Sparks, and  
others, than to attack us. It  
is not our fault that they are  
Black Muslims, for we did  
not recruit them to the Na-  
tion of Islam," he said.

Jeremiah posed ques-  
tions about Sala Christian  
and Donald Harvey.

"What is Sala Christian if  
not a Muslim? As is Donald  
Harvey and Brother Koose-  
voh 'Kenya' Fitzgerald.  
We are well aware of the  
record of these men. It is  
known that the Black Bro-  
thers have been giving large  
donations to the Mosque.  
Where are they getting the  
money, for they are not  
working? Why do they not  
make large contributions to  
some other charitable group?"

"The Sparks boys have also  
been seen frequenting the  
Mosque on Susquehanna  
Avenue on a number of oc-  
casions. We are not blaming  
the Mosque, but there are a  
series of questions such visi-  
tations automatically raises,"  
Janguharrie said.

The eloquent Minister Jero-  
miah had been speaking for  
about two hours about the  
white man, whom he blamed  
for the plight of the Blacks,  
in education, housing, econo-  
mics and religion. He lamented  
that "many Blacks are  
still paying homage to a  
Jesus who was dead and  
buried more than 2,000 years  
ago, who is not coming  
back."

He added that, "Many  
Christian Ministers preach  
about the hereafter and never  
encourage their flock to try  
and get some of the mono-  
theistic godlies here on Earth.  
Reaching for the Bible he  
turned to Ecclesiastes 10:18  
and read: "A feast is made  
for laughter, and wine makes  
merry, but money answers  
all things."

## LOVE DISSENTERS

"I didn't put out there.  
You see what I'm saying.  
Building our nation for us.  
There's that is on top, but it  
is spreading for straw, in a  
turbulent sea. But we are  
going there fast. When we  
are up there we will be down -  
We want it all."

"Have you heard the truth  
here today?" Jeremiah cried  
out. Are there any persons  
here that disagree? A lone  
hand was raised from the  
floor. "Speak brother, what  
bothers you?"

A bearded man rose to say,  
"... from MOVE."

His remark set off a surge  
of shouting feet headed in  
his direction. They were the  
ushers, about 30 strong who  
completely surrounded the  
dissenter. "I don't agree that  
the white man is the root of  
all our troubles," the bushy,  
haired representative of the  
new upon the Philadelphia  
scene "revolutionary" group  
shouted above the excited  
cries of "throw the nigger  
out!" "throw the Tom out,"  
as the Muslim ushers started  
reaching for him.

## DOUBLE SEARCH

However, Jeremiah com-  
manded, "Move back bro-  
thers, go back let him have  
his say. I don't want him to  
go out of here and tell a  
branch of lies on us, so let  
him speak. The dissenter

said "We can't blame the  
white man for our own Black  
brothers who sold Blacks  
into slavery, and we cannot  
blame whites for all the dope  
in Black communities."

Jeremiah from the stage  
shouted, "If Blacks sold  
slaves they were taught by  
the white man." He added,  
"It wouldn't be possible to  
traffic in dope here in this  
city without the blessing of  
the police and other city  
officials." At that, voices  
from the cheering Muslims  
called out "Preach, Brother,  
preach!"

Everyone entering the  
building had to submit to a  
double search before being  
escorted to a seat.

## Muslim Leader Denies Link to Black Muslims

By L-STUART DITZEN  
Of The Bulletin Staff

The head of the Black Muslims in Philadelphia acknowledged today that alleged members of the "Black Muslims" are members of his congregation.

"That's what we've set up for," said Minister Jeremiah Shabazz. "To reform these people."

Shabazz, head of Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 12, 1312 W. Susquehanna ave., North Philadelphia, said that he or the religious organization is involved in criminal activity.

### Rebuts Reports

Shabazz held a press conference at the Holiday Inn, 10th and Arch sts., to rebut news accounts connecting the Muslims with the Black Muslims.

With some 50 of his followers standing in the front of the room, Shabazz said:

"Through the efforts of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, we are reforming these people by the thousands and making them upright, responsible and active pillars of the black community."

Capt. Harvey, a police

Det. and Phila. Police Ave. 33 and South

nan, 34, formerly of the R.I. City of the 10 most-wanted fugitives, and the date of his incarceration.

Harvey is charged with the crime of possession of a handgun, which was seized in Washington, D. C., 14 months ago.

Christian is accused of the 1968 murder of Major Cooper in Cherry Hill, N. J., and of being part of a shooting in 1967 in an Atlantic City nightclub.

Both are in custody and will have a hearing by the Superior Court in the prominent members of the Black Muslims.

### Alleged Government Lists

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## Minister Shabazz Denies Offering Muhammad's Cash

By J. BRANTLEY VEDER  
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Minister Louis Farrakhan (Muhammad) to deny the  
one of the allegations he has  
made about his association  
with the Black Muslims. He  
challenge the Philadelphia Police  
Department and the F.B.I.  
If they can find one word of  
evidence that he is guilty,  
then he will accept the  
offer of \$100,000 from  
Joseph A. Shabazz, head of  
the Black Muslims.

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# How Strong Is Black Mafia?

A MAN'S HEAD IS FOUND in an orange police case on the steps of an abandoned tavern.

Two counts are charged with attempting to extort \$500 from the owner of a bar in West Oak Lane.

More than 20 pounds of cocaine are seized over a period of several months at Philadelphia International Airport.

What these incidents have in common is that investigators believe they are all linked to an organized crime group in Philadelphia.

The group has been blamed for a shootout at the Club Harlem in Atlantic City in 1972 and the killing last year of Major Benjamin Cox in Cherry Hill, N.J. and seven Hannu Muslims in Washington, D.C.

Although the group has come to be known as the "Black Mafia," it has also been called the "Organization" and the "Family."

Estimates have placed its street force at upwards of 1,000 people, and its activities have been said to encompass extortion, narcotics, gambling and prostitution.

Yet six years after the Black Mafia supposedly formed, a controversy still swirls over whether it even exists.

Philadelphia police, for instance, say the group is a myth. In 1973, the FBI collapsed the group in a summer.

The Federal Drug Enforcement Administra-

tion, however, maintains that the Black Mafia is an increasingly vigorous group with some 20 leaders and contacts with similar groups in other cities.

A local Black Muslim minister whose congregation includes several alleged Black Mafia members denies that there is a Black Mafia.

But a New York author says that not only is there a Black Mafia in Philadelphia, but it is even more organized than the one in New York.

## Blacks Are Taking Over

The author, anthropologist Francis A.J. Ianni, examines the phenomenon of black organized crime in his new book, "Black Mafia," which was published last month by Simon and Schuster.

Ianni, director of the Horace Mann-Lincoln Institute of Columbia University Teachers College, claims that blacks and Hispanics are taking over organized crime from Italian Americans.

This ethnic succession, he says, follows the same pattern that saw Irish gangsters replaced by Jewish and then Italian gangsters.

It occurs, he writes, because the ethnic group at the bottom of the ladder uses crime as a means of social mobility.

In his previous book, "A Profiting Business," Ianni described how violence and the suppression of the family give Italian crime families a strong edge.

Black Puerto Rican and Cuban crime groups have not yet formed a strong group, he says, but they have been active in the past. They have been active in the past by using prison and military contacts.

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Those bonds, he notes, are not as strong as kinship ties, however, and consequently the black and Hispanic groups are not as organized as the Italian crime families.

### Bonds Are Weaker

In a recent interview in Philadelphia, Ianni said those weaker bonds explain why his book does not deal with the hierarchical structure of the Black Mafia.

The research for the book was done in 1970 and 1971, he said, and at that point the black and Puerto Rican groups in New York were small and disorganized.

"It was a lot of separate networks," he said, "but I think it's those networks that are going to become more powerful than some of the existing Italian bosses."

Ianni, 46, lives on a 15-acre hideaway in Newfoundland, N.J., where two huge pet wolves named Romulus and Remus roam.

The field work for his latest book was done by eight former inmates of the Attica Island prison in New York. Dubbed "Buddan and the Seven Thieves" by Ianni, the men mingled with underworld groups, sometimes secretly tape recording conversations.

The book does not deal with the Philadelphia Black Mafia, but Ianni says he knows of the Philadelphia group through "street talk" in New York.

### Philadelphia Differences

"Philadelphia is different from any place else for two reasons," he said. "One is that it is hierarchically developed at this point.

"The second is that it's the one example I know of where blacks have been able to develop a market in narcotics outside the black areas. They have not been able to control the importation of drugs, but they do wholesale dealing in places like Kew-Forest and in the Spanish-speaking areas."

"What's happened in Philadelphia," he added, "is that the black militant movement has given them some basis for organizing together. Also, the Italians are probably more in disarray in Philadelphia than they are in New York."

Philadelphia is so organized, Ianni said, that New York groups are beginning to fear that the Philadelphia Black Mafia may try to muscle in on the increased number of drug shipments coming into Philadelphia from outside the country.

"The importation process now bypasses the New York and New Jersey airports because of the great deal of surveillance there," he said. "Philadelphia is the place where a good deal of it now comes in, and the fear in New York is that there will be an attempt to take it over right in Philadelphia."

### Drug Importation Center

Philadelphia's new status as a drug importation center was confirmed by Arthur Lewis, regional director of the Drug Enforcement Administration of the U. S. Department of Justice.

"With the pressures put on in Miami and New York we are finding a greater influx of

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B. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE INFORMATION

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On 12/26/73 [redacted] advised as follows re the Black Mafia, Black Muslims and individuals affiliated with these groups in Philadelphia:

The "Black Mafia" or "Family" in Philadelphia is composed of two levels of personnel. The top leadership is made up of the old guard, such as [redacted]

[redacted] and [redacted]. Under these individuals is the next level, which is referred to as the street element of the Black Mafia. The street element is made up of individuals who are generally called lieutenants answering to any of the above individuals and is composed of such people as [redacted].

There are many other individuals in the Black Mafia under [redacted] and the likes and these would be individuals who would be involved in activities directed by the street lieutenants.

Originally, the street leadership served as "right-hand men" or lieutenants answering to the top leadership but now these men have gained much more power because they have had to assume more leadership and direction of the Black Mafia activities since several of their leaders, such as [redacted] have been fugitives.

It is believed that the street element is still being directed by individuals such as [redacted] but nevertheless, people such as [redacted] and FOX have increased in stature.

[redacted] pointed out that the recent violence within the Black Mafia resulting in several individuals being shot has resulted because there is a power struggle taking place among the street element and leadership has caused fighting among members of the Black Mafia.

[redacted] stated that the Black Mafia is now a very loose organization and that the NO. 1 in the Black Mafia is [redacted] and that the Black Mafia have at least 1000 members and are

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supposed to be pursuing the goal of membership in the Muslims. The association with the Black Muslims is being used mostly as a cover by all individuals associated with the Black Mafia. The Black Mafia feels that association with the Muslims will offer a degree of legitimacy to their activities and will serve as a protection since no one, including law enforcement, wants to accuse a religious sect of engaging in criminal activities such as drug dealing and extortion.

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According to [redacted] there are only four true NOI members from the South Philadelphia area. These individuals are [redacted] and [redacted]. All the other individuals in South Philadelphia are supposed to be trying to obtain their name and NOI membership.

The Black Mafia was the idea of [redacted] as these individuals had always wanted a group of individuals banded together to carry out their criminal activity. Through their association with the Black Muslims in Philadelphia, they found a ready-made group of individuals for such a thing as the Black Mafia. The NOI provided a ready pool of individuals who could be recruited for criminal activity and the Black Muslims offered a religious cover as protection. Through the Black Muslim teachings in prisons, ex-cons were already indoctrinated in the religion. They had a criminal background and many were more than willing to come up with [redacted] and [redacted] in carrying out their activities.

[redacted] earned their leadership and recognition in the NOI and Black Muslim community based on the amount of money an individual could contribute. [redacted] and [redacted] and their associates were able to rise to the top of the NOI leadership group, heavily contributing to the Black Muslim.

[redacted] was a heavy force in the NOI community in the Philadelphia and Chicago areas.

While [redacted] was in the Philadelphia mosque, and the [redacted] was in Chicago, they had not directly contact with each other in the Black Mafia, the

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certainly know where the money is coming from. Everyone in the mosque knows that the heavy donations are coming in from "hustlers" and everyone knows that anyone connected with hustling is also associated with the Black Mafia. [ ] and everyone else associated with the Black Muslims never says anything as long as the money keeps flowing in and as long as the money is not traced to the activities of the Black Mafia.

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In this way, [ ] and the Black Muslims are actually condoning the activities of the Black Mafia, because they certainly know the source of contributions.

It is unknown what percentage of money obtained by the Black Mafia through drug dealings and extortion actually ends up in the Philadelphia and Chicago Mosques. The flow of money collected by the Black Mafia starts with drug deals and extortion by pushers and muscle men and in turn is passed on to the street lieutenant, who in turn gives the money to the top leadership of the Black Mafia, such as [ ] and [ ]. It is these individuals who turn over the percentages to the Philadelphia and Chicago Mosques either by cash or check.

Contributions to the Chicago Mosque are usually hand carried inasmuch as contributors are recognized and such action is a way of gaining recognition for the Philadelphia Black Muslims when an individual from Philadelphia stands up and tells [ ] he is contributing so much money to the cause of ALLAH.

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Although PHM and leaders of the Black Muslims may not direct activities of the Black Mafia, there is one area which [ ] felt they must have direct knowledge. He stated that illegal credit cards, identifications and checkwriting information is available to people inside the mosque, and individuals are usually instructed on how to write bad checks. The individual directly in charge of such activity in Philadelphia is an individual known as [ ] also known as [ ].

The existence of the Black Mafia in Philadelphia has lead to the development of similar groups in other cities, such

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as Atlanta, Detroit, Baltimore, New York and Chicago. These groups are directly the result of organization by the Philadelphia Black Mafia and there is a definite hookup between the groups in the various cities. The source state that the development of such groups was easy because of the prisons. Again, there was the Black Muslim teachings in the prisons and the Federal prisons allowed for individuals from different cities to associate with each other and to establish connections upon their releases.

This evolution has allowed for excellent connections between the cities as far as drug dealings, hiding of fugitives and other activities.

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[ ] stated that it is felt that one of the main areas of concern for the establishment in the future would be bank robberies. The word is being passed through the prisons and on into the Black Muslim organization that it is bad business to rob banks located in the city. These people have recognized that the banks to hit are those located in the suburbs or remotest communities where large sums of money are kept and escape is more easily accomplished.

[ ] stated that it is felt the Black Mafia will assume complete control of all illegal activities in the Black community in the various cities. In Philadelphia for example, they have gained control of the illegal drugs, have extorted almost every illegal numbers writer and it is estimated that they will eventually take complete control of illegal gambling.

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The Black Mafia does not expect trouble from the white Mafia until they try to move East of Broad Street. The time will come when there will be either violence or the two factions will have to come together and draw boundary lines.

[ ] stated that in Detroit the Black and White Mafia have already had such a meeting and definite lines of operation have been drawn up.

[ ] provided the following names and information for people associated with the Black Mafia in Philadelphia:

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[redacted] also known as [redacted] is a good friend of [redacted] and he usually travels with them. He drives a 1971 white Cadillac and originally came from the Seventh Street area. [redacted] is known as a narcotics dealer and a stickup man. AKA [redacted]

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(FNU) [redacted] also known as [redacted] lives in the vicinity of 27th and Catharine Streets and was attending Community College. He has been arrested for murder in the past and as of August 18, 1973, he was in the Detention Center. [redacted] a Negro male, 27 years old, six feet, 170 pounds, associates with [redacted] and [redacted]

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[redacted] also known as [redacted] a Negro male, age 23, is a close associate of [redacted] and is known as a dope dealer and stickup man.

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[redacted] is either first or last name of an individual who works directly under [redacted] goes to Community College and lives in the 2000 block of Wharton Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

[redacted] is a Negro male, 5'9", 180 pounds, who comes from the 15th and Kater Street area. [redacted] is an enforcer and drug dealer who works under [redacted]

[redacted] (LNU), also known as [redacted] a Negro male, six feet, light complexion, runs a foot store or some sort of boutique in the vicinity of 50th and Pine Streets. [redacted] drives a 1972 green El Dorado, which has a Continental kit. [redacted] was forced into associating with the Black Mafia in the West Philadelphia area.

[redacted] also known as [redacted] is the [redacted] and he [redacted] with [redacted] lives in the [redacted] drives a 1971 or 1972 white [redacted] which has red pearl stripes.

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[redacted] is the brother-in-law of [redacted] and he is from the 15th and Catharine Streets area. [redacted] Negro male, 5'10", 160 pounds, 23 years old, gets his [redacted] from his light complexion. [redacted] drives a black 1969 Buick Electra 225.

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[redacted] also known as [redacted] is associated with the Black Mafia group in South Philadelphia,

[redacted] also known as [redacted] of [redacted] is a drug addict who resides in the [redacted] [redacted] Negro male, 5'8", 160 pounds, 34 years old, dark complexion, drives a 1969 black over green Cadillac and sells coke and other dope from his house.

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[redacted] also known as [redacted] [redacted]

[redacted] *B. Appeal.* [redacted] also known as [redacted] is a Negro male, 25 years old, 5'10", 205 pounds, from the [redacted] [redacted] is a coke dealer associated with [redacted] and [redacted] and he drives a 1972 or 1973 Coupe de Ville or Brougham Cadillac.

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[redacted] also known as [redacted] is a [redacted] dealer in North Philadelphia, is a good friend of [redacted] drives a 1973 black Coupe de Ville with a Continental kit.

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(FNU) [redacted] also known as [redacted] is a brother of [redacted] and is from the 20th and Reed Street area. He handles drugs and wants to be an enforcer in the Black Mafia, but "he has to learn."

*AKA* [redacted] also known as [redacted] is from the [redacted]

[redacted] also known as [redacted] is associated with the group in South Philadelphia.

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[redacted] lives in the South Street area and was a good friend of [redacted] (on).

[redacted] (FNU) - These two individuals are big in illegal checkwriting activity and they hang out at 23rd and Dickinson Streets. [redacted] drives a 1973 White Cadillac with Continental kit and red stripes. [redacted] drives a 1974 lime over white Cadillac and this vehicle has a big letter "D" in the rear window. Both of above automobiles bear New Jersey tags.

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[redacted] resides in the [redacted]  
[redacted] a Negro female, in her  
mid-30's, drives a 1971 black customized Coupe de Ville. This  
vehicle has a white top and is equipped with a Continental  
kit. [redacted] deals in stolen merchandise, is an excellent  
flim flam operator and is one of the biggest holders of  
narcotics for the Black Mafia in Philadelphia. She is  
closely associated with [redacted], also known as [redacted]

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[redacted] AKA [redacted] advised that [redacted] has been associated  
with the criminal element in Philadelphia all her life and  
has seen fit to train her children so that they can follow  
in her footsteps. It is known that she has taken the kids  
out to practicing firing guns and guns are always kept in  
the house. The kids have access to the weapons and sometimes  
the kids answer the door with a weapon in their hand.

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On 1/9/74 [redacted] advised as follows re activities  
and membership of the Black Mafia:

The Black Mafia is an organization consisting of  
over a hundred black hoodlums who are Black Muslims. They  
are also known as Black Incorporated. The Black Mafia is  
involved in a variety of criminal activities such as extortion,  
narcotics, loansharking, numbers, contract murders, check  
writing, stickups and a number of other criminal activities.

Much of the money obtained by the Black Mafia is  
turned over to [redacted] who is the [redacted]  
[redacted] sends  
the money that is obtained from the Black Mafia to the main  
mosque in Chicago. The Muslims serve as a check and balance  
re activities of the Black Mafia. When the Black Mafia gets  
out of control the Fruits of Islam soldiers are called in to  
straighten things out, especially if the money does not  
"flow" as it should.

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Many members of the Black Mafia do not yet have  
thier Xs and they are competing to see who and how many can  
get them. This competition involves seeing who can turn the  
most money into the mosque and the majority of this money  
is coming from the crimes they are committing.

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The amount of money gotten by members of the Black Mafia determines whether or not they "qualify" to drive a Cadillac, Buick, Chevrolet or some other model of car.

The Black Mafia is rapidly growing in membership by heavy recruiting of juvenile gangs and blacks in prison. Because of the success the Black Mafia is having it is impossible to know just how many members there are and learn the identities of its members.

Although [redacted] is the leader of the Black Mafia the men responsible for seeing that "the job gets done" are [redacted] (before he was arrested in Detroit.) The Black Mafia members have given themselves titles and the "Captains" are [redacted]

[redacted] These four individuals do all of the "heavy" work. The lieutenants in the Black Mafia are [redacted]

[redacted] and a few other individuals, unknown to source, who live in West and North Philadelphia. Source advised a concentrated effort to lock up the aforementioned members of Black Mafia would "break their backs."

In addition calling them Black/Incorporated and being known as the Black Mafia, they call themselves "the family." Other people involved in selling dope and other criminal activities do so with the "blessing" of "the family." In other words you cannot engage in these activities unless you are a member or you work for them.

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On October 31, 1973, [ ] advised [ ] follows the method of recruitment by the Black Mafia.

Most of the members are associated with the NOI. He stressed, however, that they are not considered members because they have not received their "X" names. There are some members of the Black Mafia who do have their "X" names, but he advised that all of them have been expelled from the NOI. He stated that most members of the NOI are knowledgeable of the Black Mafia. On occasions, [ ] will attend NOI meetings for the purpose of making his presence known. Any member of the NOI who wishes to become associated with the Black Mafia is usually accepted.

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On December 6, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] and [ ] attended the NOI meeting held on December 2, 1973 and both [ ] donated \$75.

[ ] advised that [ ] spoke at the Sunday meeting. He brought up the Black Mafia, and advised the members that the Mafia is giving the NOI a bad name. He stated that [ ] stressed the fact that the Mafia is reaping all the benefits at the expense of the NOI.

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[ ] is a member of the NOI, and he was one of the original members of the Black Mafia, but he has not been seen at a Mafia meeting for quite a while.

On February 20, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] (phonetic) and the other NOI officers from Chicago recently arrived in Philadelphia. He stated that these individuals met with [ ] at International Networks Inc., 244 South 2nd Street. He stated that [ ] was told that the individuals who are currently members of the Black Inc., must apply for their X name or terminate their relationship with the NOI. [ ] further mentioned

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that [ ] said that the officers from Chicago made it sound like the application would have to be made immediately. [ ] stated that he has attended several NOI meetings when members of the Black Mafia were present. He stated that [ ] discussed donations and mentioned that they did not ask where the money came from as long as it was going for a good cause. [ ] directed his comments to members of the Black Mafia on several occasions and made specific mention of the fact that there were certain criminal members present. [ ] stated that because of this, he is relatively certain that [ ] knows that the Black Mafia has made cash donations on several occasions to the NOI. Informant remembers members of the Black Mafia making large individual donations at the monthly joint meetings of the NOI and that on several occasions they might make a large donation under the name of Black Inc. He further advised that almost every member of the NOI is aware of the fact that Black Inc., and the Black Mafia are one in the same,

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[ ] was questioned re the Black Mafia's donations to the NOI's main headquarters in Chicago. He advised that in the past, [ ] would make trips to Chicago on a weekend basis for purpose of making a donation to the NOI. He stated that recently he has no idea how the Black Mafia is sending their donations to Chicago but they would be sending it in the form of a check. These checks would be directed either to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's home or to the main temple located at 1055 South Stony Island. In any event, the Black Mafia would mail a receipt for all donations. He further advised that he did not personally understand the motive behind the Black Mafia's donations to the NOI but feels that they must expect some form of protection. He could only assume that members of the Black Mafia would expect the NOI to post bail in the event that they were arrested or would hide them in the event that they were a fugitive. He further advised that he does not feel that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD knows the origin of the money for a donation by the black Mafia and is sure that the checks being sent to him come under the name of Black Inc.

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On February 26, 1974, [ ] advised as follows.

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Approximately 1,600 members of the Philadelphia Temple of the NOI and at least 100 members of the Black Mafia

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attended the Saviors Day Celebration in Chicago on February 26, 1974. He stated that [redacted] made a cash donation to the NOI in the amount of \$10,000. This donation was made in the name of Black, Inc., from Philadelphia and [redacted] received a written receipt for this donation. Other members of the Black Mafia made cash donations on an individual basis, none of which were less than \$100.

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On January 11, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

are spearheading a drive to expose criminal elements in black crime, especially that portion controlled by the NOI and Black Mafia. [redacted] was to hold a news conference at 11:00 a.m. on January 3, 1974, at the Sheraton Hotel to announce his intentions to expose black criminals.

[redacted] drive to protect black criminals will be concealed until [redacted] has named his campaign "Operation Dig" to [redacted] [redacted] the [redacted] to take "cuddles" off the street who are [redacted] to gather information about drug operations [redacted] The [redacted] information received would be [redacted] [redacted] and the Federal Drug Enforcement [redacted] [redacted] between "Dig" and the Philadelphia [redacted] Department would be handled with [redacted] Civil Disobedience Unit.

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In addition to [redacted] and [redacted], former members,  
[redacted] plans the use of [redacted] as a telephone  
tips from the phone booth [redacted] and the goal of "Big"  
and the "hot line". [redacted] was taken off the street.

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[redacted] also reported he learned that a meeting was held on January 5, 1974, in Philadelphia attended by [redacted] (phonetic), who met with [redacted] last name possibly [redacted] is a friend of [redacted] and will soon head the Chester, Pa., NOI Mosque. Presently, he is an assistant to [redacted] (phonetic), "national troubleshooter" for the NOI. The meeting was held at [redacted] request and without the approval of [redacted] [redacted] wanted the opportunity to discuss with [redacted] his publicized campaign against drug pushers and the Black Mafia, and that portion of the Black Mafia controlled by the NOI.

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[redacted] told the group that [redacted] Head of MM12, was not involved in drug trafficking or the Black Mafia. He stated the Chicago operation was not involved with drugs in Philadelphia or anywhere in the United States. Chicago does not condone any drug trafficking by NOI members and would take a dim view of [redacted] participation or direction in such an operation.

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The end result of the meeting was that it did not answer any of [redacted] questions about NOI involvement in drugs. As a result, [redacted] intends to meet with [redacted]

On January 11, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

A meeting was held on January 9, 1974, between [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted] at Muhammad Mosque #12 located at the corner of Casselton and Park Avenues, Philadelphia, Pa.

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The intention of this meeting was for [redacted] to discuss his current campaign of opposition by the National Black Economic Development Initiative to wage "war" on drug pushers in Philadelphia. [redacted] being led by the "Black Mafia." At this time, [redacted] was very adamant to [redacted] [redacted] for the planned drug program. [redacted] stated that [redacted] is a

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pawn of the white race. [ ] is working to destroy the Nation of Islam. At the same time he believes that [ ] is using this ruse in order to obtain money and then "rip off" the white man.

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[ ] stated that he is minister to approximately 1,700 members of the NOI and he cannot be held accountable for their actions. He stated the members of the NOI are peace loving and only resort to violence when they are wronged by someone. [ ] stated that the recent newspaper articles and radio interviews conducted by [ ] were wrong and reflected unfavorably upon the NOI saying that the "Black Mafia" and drug pushing were the work of the NOI. As a result [ ] stated he did not appreciate [ ] statement and stated that the NOI did not respond to the NOI congregation on January 6, 1974, and did not wish with these statements.

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[ ] stated he did not try to put followers who could take matters into their own hands because of [ ] statement and kill him. [ ] stated [ ] to go to the newspapers and radio stations and correct the coverage of [ ] recent newspaper articles and print retractions of his interferences to the NOI. [ ] said that [ ] would not have gotten so much news coverage without the support of the "Devil" (white man) who would support his efforts to destroy the NOI.

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From the [ ] meeting [ ] displayed a very indignant attitude toward the recent statements made by [ ] and others. [ ] statements were false, not true and not reflecting upon the NOI and its leader, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

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On April 3, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

In [ ] [ ] Mosque #12 had recently changed its status to remain a non-profit religious organization. [ ] [ ] Inc. Black Mafia members in [ ] [ ] NOI channel funds through the various [ ] [ ] restaurants and other businesses such as [ ] and cleaning establishments.

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There is strong indications "on the street" that [redacted] leader of NOI in Philadelphia, is under close scrutiny by the NOI leadership in Chicago because of the flood of bad publicity of members of his temple being involved in distribution and sale of narcotics and other Black Mafia activities. Two individuals from Chicago had been sent to Philadelphia as recently as early March to check on the activities of the Philadelphia mosque. [redacted] stated he did not know of any determination made at that time or of any impending change in leadership.

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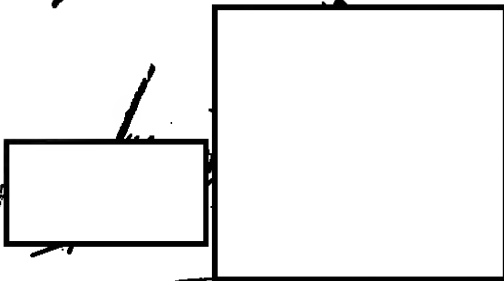
On January 23, 1974, [ ] furnished the following information regarding the administrative organization of the Black Mafia.

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He stated that a board of directors under the supervision of [ ] runs the Black Mafia. He listed the following individuals as being members of the board:



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[ ] further advised that there are several other board members the names of whom he could not recall. He stated, however, that the board meets after the regular meeting on Tuesday nights. [ ] also stated that the other members of the Black Mafia are supervised by a supreme captain and a number of lieutenants. Each officer is assigned a certain geographic area for narcotics sales.

[ ] listed the officers and geographic areas as follows:

[ ] (assumed this post after [ ] became a fugitive), responsible for 15th and South Streets.

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[ ] and oversees activities in North Philadelphia and part of Germantown.

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[REDACTED] stated that each lieutenant has several groups under him which are called squads. Each squad specializes in a specific criminal activity such as stick-ups, extortions, and so forth.

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The following investigation was conducted by SAS  
[REDACTED]

On December 18, 1973, [REDACTED]  
Philadelphia Police Department, Philadelphia, Pa., advised  
that [REDACTED] Negro male, date of birth [REDACTED]  
was brought in for questioning concerning a shooting in  
South Philadelphia near his residence. [REDACTED] advised  
that [REDACTED] is a leader of the Black Mafia and that when arrested,  
he had the following articles in his possession:

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- 1) Rules and Regulations for BLACK B., INC.
- 2) Real Estate Proposal for BLACK B., INC.
- 3) Laws and Rules of BLACK B., INC.
- 4) Oath for BLACK B., INC.
- 5) Paper entitled "BLACK B., INC."
- 6) Business card of [REDACTED] representing BLACK B.,  
INC.
- 7) Blank membership card in BLACK B., INC.
- 8) Paper entitled "Last Meeting" (believed to  
represent notes of BLACK MAFIA meeting).
- 9) Receipt, dated November 22, 1973, of \$5,000  
donated to Muhammad's Temple Number 2 (Headquarters of the  
NOI) by BLACKMEN's CLUB, care of [REDACTED]
- 10) Receipt dated November 28, 1973, of \$300 from  
BLACK, INC., to Muhammad Speaks.

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The paper entitled "LAST MEETING" is quoted below.  
Noted are several references to "ALLAH" and the "MESSENGER."  
"MESSENGER" is the title afforded ELIJAH MUHAMMED, leader of  
the NOI.

"LAST MEETING

ALL F. ON TRIAL, WAITING A LOT OF TIME.

PROBLEMS

SUBMITTED TO AUTHORITY

NOT QUALIFY IF YOU CANNOT FOLLOW, IF YOU CAN  
GIVE ASSIGNMENTS.

SOLDIERS FOR THE MESS.

? AT WAR WITH THE DEVIL

NO BROS. SHOULD LOSE LIVE, IF THAT BE THE CASE YOU  
WILL BE CHARGED WITH TREASON.

LIVES IN OUR HANDS, USE FOR SERVANTS FOR THE  
MESSENGER.

IF SET DOWN WILL LOSE YOUR LIFE BEING THAT WE ARE  
IN AUTHORITY

GENERAL OVERSEASER - BRO ROOSEVELT

GENE - DISSATISFIED - NOT REPORT TO ART

WE RESPECT THOSE IN AUTHORITY

STOP ALL THE SEED DROPPING, HEADS SHOULD BE TOGETHER  
AS ONE.

"AUTHORITY!!!

COMES FROM MESS

CHAIN OF COMMAND, FOLLOW INSTRUCTION, DON'T BREAK

NO CHAIN OF COMMAND, SUBMITTED, WORK WITH ALL BROS  
DEDICATED TO THE CAUSE

PERSONALITY DO NOT MEANS NOTHING, NO NEED FOR A  
SPLIT. WE SAY WE BELIEVED, BUT WE MUST BELIEVE  
ALLAH IS GOD. CARRY OUT INSTRUCTION, THE BOSS SAYS.  
IF WE FUNCTION OF OUR OWN, WE WILL GO CRAZY.

PROBLEMS WHOLE DOWN PROGRESS FOR THE BOSS  
IF WE KNOW BETTER, WE SUPPOSE TO DO BETTER.  
OTHER FAMILIES BEING SET UP WILL BE A NATIONAL  
AND INTERNATIONAL

BRO. R. - GRENEAL OVERSEASER - POSITION OF AUTHORITY  
MUST BE RESPECTED.

BRO. A. - LT. GEREAL OVERSEASER

BRO. G - CHAIRMAN - OF THE TOWN

BRO. F. - SEC. - OF THE TOWN

BRO. L. HEAD INFORCER OF THE TOWN. SEE THE JOB IS JOB  
CH. BRO AL & BRO PHIL. REPORT FIRST TO GENERAL OVERSEASER

ALL MUST BE ONE - LT. OVERSEASER - THAN THE CHAIRMAN

WE ARE DEALING WITH EACH TOGETHER

LOCK IT UP TOGETHER, THE BOSS SAYS WE GOT TO GET TOGETHER,  
OUR POWER LIES IN UNITY, USE ALL METHODS AVAILBLE, OUR JOB  
FISH AND GET THE MONEY.

WELLING TO LEARN, SUBMITTEING TO SELF.

REMEMBER NOT MATTER WHAT POSITION BRO FIRST

TRIED AND TESTED, FEAR NO ONE BUT ALLAH  
AND HIS MESSESEGER

DON'T PLEASE BY DOING WHAT HE DON'T TEACH

WORLD WILL SEE A POWERFUL FORCE  
HONOR OUR BRO. WILL NOT GIVE MORE THAN RECEIVED  
B REPORTS - R. A. S. R. G. F.)

ALL WE GOT TO REMEMBER IS TO SUBMITTE TO AUTHORITY  
NO NEED FOR NO BREAKDOWN OF COMMUNICATION

ADVISE AND ASK FOR ADVISE  
REMEMBER AUTHORITY  
HELP EACH OTHER

PROBLEMS HELP YOU GROW, AND MOVE FORWARD  
TOWARDS HELPING THE BOSS

DO NOT DEAL WITH BROS ON PERSONAL, IF YOU DO YOUR  
DEAD WRONG.

WHEN YOU SOLDIER FOR THE BOSS, BE CENSURED  
USE ALL METHODS AVAILABLE FOR THE CAUSE.

SMALL TEST - AMENSTRATED NEEDS A LOAITTY STAFF.

ACTING OTHER THAN TRUE FOLLOWS COMING FOR THE  
CAUSE TO STRIAGTHEN OUT THE PROBLEMS

JOBS OF OFFICERS TEACH AND TRAIN, BY UNDERSTANDING  
ORDERS.

TRIAL FOR US WHO KNOW  
IF YOU DO NOT LEAVE ANYTHING YOU WON'T RECIEVED  
ANYTHING

THANK ALLAH FOR BLESSING US TO BE SUCEFUL AS BROTHERS,  
PRAY TO ALLAH, FOR WIDISOM KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING.  
ALLEGATION WITH THE MESS. CANN'T STOP IF HALF OF US MUST BLOW.

SERVING THE BOSS YOU CAN SEE,  
WE HAVE THE TOWN, WHAT ARE WE GOING TO. DO BLOW IT

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The abbreviations used in the paper entitled "Last Meeting" refer to the following individuals who are members of the BLACK MAFIA:

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BRO [REDACTED]

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BRO [REDACTED]

BRO [REDACTED]

BRO [REDACTED]

BRO [REDACTED]

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BUS. KI 5-1439  
KI 5-1386



REPRESENTING  
**BLACK B INC.**  
CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION

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1443 SOUTH ST.  
PHILA. PA.

**Membership Card**

**BLACK B. Inc.**

**CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Office: 1443 SOUTH STREET  
KI 5-1439 KI 5-1386

Donation \$1.50

Expiration Date, Sept. 1, 1974

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MUHAMMAD'S

TEMPLE No. 2

Date: 11-22-73

The Nation of Islam Bank Deposit Receipt

Full Name:

Address:

City: Phila.

State: PA.

Deposit Amount: \$ 5000.00

Date: 11-22-73

Received by:

THANK YOU

Note: If this is the first deposit, please list beneficiary below:

Name: Nation of Islam

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of Depositor: \_\_\_\_\_

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On October 31, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

At the last Mafia meeting there were one hundred plus members present. One of the main topics of discussion was the problem the Mafia was having taking over the narcotics operation in North Philadelphia. He stated that the Mafia killed TOMMIE FERRINGTON, one of the three large narcotics dealers in North Philadelphia, and that a contract had now been put out on [ ] one of the two remaining controllers of the narcotics traffic in North Philadelphia. Source stated that as of that date, he did not believe the contract has been picked up.

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On October 31, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

The Mafia meetings are being moved to a new location which is yet unknown to him. He stated that the meetings are usually on Tuesday night, and at the last meeting a tape recording from [ ] was played. [ ] stated via tape that he did not approve of the way contracts were being carried out. He named the shooting of MAJOR COXSON as an example, and stated that it should have been done away from his family and in a more professional manner. He advised that [ ] ended the tape by stating that he and "several others" would return to Philadelphia shortly, and that someone would pay for the mistakes.

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[ ] stated that [ ] are definitely the number one and number two men in the Black Mafia. In their absence the ranking members are [ ]

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[ ] listed according to importance. He further advised that [ ] drives a 1972 white Cadillac, [ ] drives a 1971 Cadillac Eldorado, white over red with a sun roof, and [ ] drives a 1973 red Buick Electra 225.

On December 6, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

At the Black Mafia meeting on December 4, 1973, the contract on Philadelphia Police Department [ ] was discussed. He stated that in addition to [ ] also known as [ ] will probably accompany [ ] when the hit is attempted. [ ] indicated that he planned to follow [ ] to his home and possibly attempt to hit in the area of [ ] home.

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Another topic of discussion at the Mafia meeting was [ ]. He advised that [ ] is still in jail, and that the Mafia was beginning to worry that he has not been holding up to the questioning. He stated that the top members of the Mafia have discussed the fact that [ ] may have to be killed to keep him from talking anymore.

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Three members of the Mafia had been shot. [ ] was shot on the night of December 4, 1973 or December 5, 1973. [ ] were shot by [ ], an individual who was recently released from jail. [ ] advised that the Mafia intends to kill [ ].

[ ] advised that he is aware of a part of the Black Mafia which functions in Boston, Mass. He stated that the leader of this section of the Mafia is an individual known to him as [ ]. This individual is approximately 30 years old, originally comes from Philadelphia, and was last seen driving a 1973 Eldorado.

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[ ] was questioned regarding the Black, Inc., stickers which have been displayed throughout Philadelphia. He said that everyone who displays such a sticker is either a member of the Black Mafia or is paying protection to them.

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On December 13, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

On Friday night, December 7, 1973, the Black Muslims held a meeting at Ernie Kelly's Bar. At least 70 Muslims attended and most of them were armed. The bar was closed for about three hours for this meeting and [ ] (Last Name Unknown) has taken over control of this bar.

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The Black Muslims have moved their headquarters to North Philadelphia since their former headquarters at 20th and Pemberton Streets had been firebombed. The Black Muslims will, however, continue to have meetings at Ernie Kelly's Bar.

On December 27, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

A Black Mafia meeting on December 18, 1973 was held at 5104 Lebanon Street, Philadelphia, Pa. This address will be the Mafia's new meeting place, and that this address is only known by Mafia members. There were approximately one hundred people present and that a collection was taken up for [ ] defense.

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The Black Mafia is experiencing considerable problems with the 20th and Carpenter Street gang. This gang had originally aligned themselves with the Black Mafia, but recently split away which became evident to gang members that they were doing all of the dirty work for the Mafia. The gang leaders felt that they were not getting a fair share of the profits. The 20th and Carpenter Street gang is probably larger than the Black Mafia, and the members will do anything because they have no fear of prison, and that they have sworn to stand up against the Black Mafia. All the members of the Mafia are afraid of this gang, and this is the reason for the meeting site being moved

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Several individuals flew in from Detroit to take care of the 20th and Carpenter Street gang. These individuals were brought to Philadelphia by [redacted] and [redacted] who had travelled to Detroit several times to make the arrangements. [redacted] stated that several days before, he saw two of these individuals riding in [redacted] 1974 bridge Cadillac Fleetwood Borougham, with a white vinyl roof. These Unknown Subjects were accompanied by [redacted] and [redacted]. Unknown Subject number one was described as 25 to 30 years old, medium complexion, thin build, short Afro bush, large mustache, and flashy dresser. Unknown Subject number two was described as 25 to 30 years old, light complexion, thin build, large Afro bush, clean shaven, sideburns to bottom of the ear, and very flashy dresser. Source suggested that these individuals might be staying at the Holiday Inn on City Line Avenue since this is a popular spot with the Black Mafia.

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The Black Mafia was planning a New Year's Eve party at the Sharon Room on Chelton Avenue. He advised that part of the proceeds are to go for [redacted] defense.

The Black Mafia has two new cars which the members are using. He described one car as being a 1972 brown Cadillac, Coupe de Ville with temporary tags. [redacted] has been driving this car as well as many other MAFIA members. They are also using a 1974 Grey Mustang fast-back with temporary tags that belongs to [redacted].

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On January 2, 1974, [redacted] advised that the Black Mafia is again having problems with the 20th and Carpenter Street gang. Source advised that the most recent incident was the bombing of a Mafia member's car. He stated that the car belonged to an individual known to him as [redacted] a new member of the Black Mafia.

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On December 27, 1973, SA [ ] conducted the following investigation:

On December 27, 1973, [ ] Intelligence Division, Philadelphia Police Department, contacted SA [ ] at 6:00 a.m. [ ] advised that the Philadelphia Police Department had information that three Negro males had arrived on December 26, 1973, on Flight 618, from Detroit, Mich., with intentions of fulfilling three hit contracts. After arriving, the three individuals met with [ ] of the Black, Inc.. organization. The individuals to be hit were [ ] and [ ] and one [ ]

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[ ] requested the help of the FBI in obtaining the manifests for passengers on Flight 618, from Detroit for December 26, 1973.

On the same date, [ ] United Airlines, International Airport, made available to SA [ ] a list of the tickets of those individuals who made reservations for Flight 618 from Detroit to Philadelphia, on December 26, 1973. [ ] advised that those individuals who bought tickets for the United flight in question would have ticket stubs that would now be in the audit division at the Detroit airport.

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On the same date, [ ] Philadelphia Police Department, Major Crimes Division, was given the manifests of passengers who made reservations for United Flight 618 from Detroit to Philadelphia arriving at Philadelphia at 8:24 p.m., December 26, 1973. Also given to [ ] was a list of those individuals who bought tickets at the time of the flight in Detroit. This information was received telephonically from the Detroit Office due to a call by Supervisor [ ]

[redacted] advised that [redacted] along with the three other individuals were now being questioned concerning the alleged contract on the lives of the two police officers and [redacted] further stated that plans were being made to place 1. four individuals on the polygraph machines.

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On January 10, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

Between the hours of 7:30 p.m., on January 8, 1974 and 1:00 a.m., the next morning, approximately forty members of the Black Mafia met at [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. While the meeting was in progress, [redacted] sat as a lock-out in his automobile on [redacted] A lock-out is generally placed in this area.

One of the subjects that was discussed was the 20th and Carpenter Street gang. He advised that the Mafia plans to have [redacted] killed, and [redacted] and (First Name Unknown) [redacted] were also mentioned as possible targets.

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Several individuals have been assigned the task of taking care of the Mafia's problems with the 20th and Carpenter Street gang and with Philadelphia Highway Patrolman [redacted] Source previously described two individuals brought in from out-of-town, one identified as [redacted] from Detroit, the other is [redacted] of St. Louis. These individuals have been assigned the task of killing members of the 20th and Carpenter Street gang. [redacted] have been joined by [redacted] a member of the Black Mafia, and formerly of the Pierce Street gang, and [redacted] also a member of the Mafia and formerly of the 15th and Climber Street gang. [redacted] and [redacted] are to kill [redacted] is described as a Negro male, 20 years old, [redacted] light brown complexion with [redacted] pounds, medium Afro and always [redacted] is described as 30 years old, 5'10"

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[ ] pounds, small eyes, dark complexion, medium Afro. [ ]  
[ ] The above  
listed individuals in addition to [ ] were scheduled  
to fly to Detroit on January 10, 1974 to take care of some  
business there. They were to have rented a car ahead of  
time with a "hot" credit card to be available at the Detroit  
airport. All of them were to return to Philadelphia at a  
later date. Source added that [ ] has [ ]  
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Another topic of discussion at the Mafia meeting  
was the numbers operation. In particular, [ ] and  
[ ] were mentioned as being too slow in their payments.  
The Mafia plans to send a member to see both [ ] and  
[ ]. A statement was also made at the meeting to indicate  
that the Mafia had learned of ten to 15 new writers for  
[ ] and that they now plan to increase his  
weekly payments to \$1,000-\$1,500.

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The Black Mafia mentioned [ ], also  
known as [ ] who has stopped paying off.  
Source feels that the Mafia may try to kill him. [ ]  
works the area of 22nd and Manton Street, and lives in the  
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A large contingent from Philadelphia's Black Mafia  
plans to attend the Nation of Islam's Saviors Day Celebration  
to be held in Chicago, Ill., on February 26, 1974. He advised  
that all of the big wheels of the Mafia plan to wear new  
mink coats to be supplied by [ ]

On January 23, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia met on January 15, 1974, at [ ] Philadelphia, Pa. There were approximately 30 members present, and the main topic of discussion was the problem the Black Mafia is having with the 20th and Carpenter Street gang. [ ] also advised that a figure of \$80,000 per week was mentioned at the meeting as being the Black Mafia's weekly take from all criminal operations. He estimated that total membership in the Black Mafia has now reached at least 200 and there are many younger blacks who want to join.

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The problems between the 20th and Carpenter Street gang and the Black Mafia date back to the time the Black Mafia was trying to recruit the young gang members. [ ] were in charge of the recruiting operation, and managed to get all of the South Philadelphia gangs to join the Black Mafia except the 20th and Carpenter Street gang. This gang felt that it could sell its own narcotics without sharing the profits. One one occasion, [ ] physically assaulted a member of the 20th and Carpenter Street gang, and after that the troubles began. The Carpenter Street gang's objective is to eliminate [ ] and [ ]. They claim they will continue to shoot Black Mafia members until they get [ ]. [ ] a member of the Carpenter Street gang, is the person responsible for killing LEROY DAWSON, also known as Dart, and for shooting [ ] also known as [ ] in front of the [ ] house. The Black Mafia, in turn, plans to eliminate the leaders of the Carpenter Street gang. The Black Mafia will not hesitate in shooting members of the leader's families in order to get to them. The Black Mafia feels that once the leaders are eliminated, the rest of the gang will join them.

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The Black Mafia's method of getting contro of the city's narcotics operation starts with a pusher on the street. The pusher is approached and given the choice of selling narcotics for the Black Mafia or giving a percentage of his profits which is classified as a "tax". This source is also obliged to identify his source. This source is then approached by the Black Mafia to expose his source and in turn is given a choice of selling the Black Mafia's narcotics or paying the "tax". This process continues up the ladder until the Black Mafia has control over all the narcotics. If an individual refuses to cooperate, his life is threatened.

Guns are being purchased by both the Black Mafia and the 20th and Carpenter Street gang. The same individual is selling to both sides and is able to supply any type of weapon for a price. [redacted] also known as [redacted] a member of the Black Mafia, advised him that the Black Mafia has two machine guns. [redacted] an unidentified individual developed by other sources, was mentioned as a possible gun salesman. [redacted] stated that [redacted] has a reputation for being able to get anything for anyone, and would not eliminate him as the unknown gun salesman. [redacted] reportedly drives a 1969 green, four door, Pontiac Bonneville.

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On February 4, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia held their meeting at [redacted] on January 29, 1974 and again on February 1, 1974.

The Black Mafia's primary concern at this time is security. On several instances, members of the board have mentioned that too much of the information discussed in the Black Mafia meetings is getting out. They suggested that in the future, the members should take notes on the business discussed. The meeting sites would vary from meeting to meeting, and that they would not always hold meetings on Tuesday night. The Black Mafia had scheduled a meeting for the evening of February 4, 1974 and that the members had been directed to contact [redacted] at Sero's Bar, 7170 Ogontz Avenue. [redacted] would then advise the members where the meeting would be held.

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The Black Mafia had raised \$4,000 for [redacted] and that this money was passed to [redacted] some time during the past weekend. He further advised that the members of the board were being assessed \$100 apiece and that the other members and guests \$50.00 each to be paid the evening of February 4, 1974. This money would also go to [redacted] since the \$4,000 originally collected was for [redacted]'s Savior's Day Gift to the Nation of Islam. Black Mafia members who did not donate would be kept out of Black Inc. affairs, and would be dealt with properly. This money would be collected by [redacted]

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The Black Mafia also discussed the problems they were having collecting protection money from certain numbers writers. They assigned several Black Mafia members to contact each of a group of writers. They were directed to beat and rob the writers if they still refused to pay. He stated that [redacted] were to approach [redacted] in the area of 17th and Manton Streets, and [redacted] in the area of [redacted] [redacted] were to handle [redacted] in the area of 20th and Reed Streets, and [redacted] in the vicinity of Sixth and Hoffman Streets. [redacted] were to handle [redacted]. They were further directed to handle these contacts on February 5, 1974.

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Another point of business at Black Mafia meeting was the acquisition of new narcotics contacts. The 20th and Carpenter Street gang has been sticking up the Black Mafia's pushers, and the Black Mafia has now decided to recruit pushers in other areas to counter-balance this loss.

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[ ] was specifically questioned regarding the financial connections between the Black Mafia and the Nation of Islam and advised that it is no secret that the Black Mafia has been donating to the Nation of Islam. He stated that the members of the board of the Black Mafia plan to attend Savior's Day in Chicago, and each will probably make a large donation. The members of the Black Mafia feel that the Nation of Islam will protect them and support them if they have problems with the police. He felt that many younger members of the Nation of Islam look up to the members of the Black Mafia, and that these younger members would hide members of the Black Mafia. He further stated that some of the older and more respected members of the Nation of Islam also admire members of the Black Mafia.

On February 4, 1974, [ ] advised as follows;

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A store known as Sacks (phonetic) located on South Street in Philadelphia, has been visited by members of the so-called Black Mafia.

He stated he does not know the exact location or the amount of money obtained by these individuals or the specific individuals confronted by the Black Mafia at this location.

On February 12, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia held a meeting on the evening of February 11, 1974, at [ ] This house reportedly belongs to [ ], a girl friend of one of the Black Mafia members. The members met at Gino's Bar on 72nd and Ogontz Avenue, and were given the address for the meeting place by [ ] at approximately 6:00 p.m. The Black Mafia members then departed for the meeting place.

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One of the main topics of discussion was the Black Mafia plans to protect [redacted] at the NOI Savior's Day Celebration in Chicago on February 26, 1974. He stated that no firm plans have been made, but members, except the high ranking members from each mosque, will be searched before they will be allowed to enter the meeting place. If the Black Mafia were to attempt to take weapons into the meeting place, the only individuals who might avoid search would be [redacted] and [redacted]. [redacted] The Savior's Day Celebration will begin at 9:00 a.m., and will end at midnight the same day.

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He heard no further discussion relevant to the money to be collected for [redacted]. He assumed that all members had contributed the designated amount.

The Black Mafia is still experiencing problems with the 20th and Carpenter Streets gang. He stated that he has information that the 20th and Carpenter Streets gang is being financially supported by white criminal elements. He advised that members of the Carpenter Street gang have been meeting with an individual who runs a body and fender shop on 12th Street between Carpenter and Washington Streets. He has heard that this individual is a relative of [redacted].

[redacted] He is described as a white male, approximately 35 years old, 5'7", 147 pounds, and has [redacted].

[redacted] The Carpenter Street gang reportedly meets with this individual every Saturday. [redacted] further advised that street talk indicates the Carpenter Street gang is being supplied with guns, ammunition, money and lodging. He believes that the information about the Carpenter Street gang being supplied with lodging is true because all the gang members are staying away from their homes. Approximately two weeks ago, the Carpenter Street gang wanted to meet with [redacted].

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[redacted] at the above mentioned body and fender shop. The meeting was set up for the purpose of settling the differences between the Black Mafia and the Carpenter Street gang; however, the meeting never took place. The members of the Black Mafia were to be killed when they attempted to leave the meeting site.

[ ] was questioned regarding the reason the white criminal elements would be backing the Carpenter Street gang. He advised that the most obvious reason would be the Black Mafia's extortion from the numbers writers. He stated that the Black Mafia continues to push the writers for protection money and has pressured several writers into giving large amounts. He advised that [ ] is a cocaine salesman and numbers writer who works out of a bar on 13th and Carpenter Street. He writes numbers for the individual who runs the body and fender shop where the Carpenter Street gang has been meeting. The Black Mafia has started to put pressure on [ ] for protection.

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The members of the Black Mafia no longer spend time in the South Philadelphia area like they did before the problems with the Carpenter Street gang. He advised that the Black Mafia will only travel to South Philadelphia to pick up money.

On February 20, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia recently went to [ ] (Last Name Unknown), a small numbers writer who writes out of his candy store at 53rd and Market Streets and demanded protection money from him. They allegedly put a gun to his head when they talked to him. [ ] is a dark skinned, Negro male, 6'0", and in his late fifties or early sixties.

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On February 20, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia held a meeting on the evening of February 19, 1974 at [ ] a house belonging to [ ]. He stated that the members of the Black Mafia first assembled at Caro's Bar on Ogontz Avenue and were advised by [ ] of the location of the meetings.

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One of the topics of discussion was the fact that [ ] a numbers writer in South Philadelphia, has not paid the Black Mafia all that he owes them. [ ] stated that this debt goes back to September or October of 1973. [ ] has been making weekly payments, but [ ] still plans to visit him before the end of the week to collect the balance owed.

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The Black Mafia is still having problems with the 20th and Carpenter Street gang. He advised that within the past week, [ ] was shot at by [ ] and [ ] was driving through the 2100 block of Reed Street when he was fired upon by the above named individuals. [ ] attempted to leave the area and in the process collided with three other vehicles. [ ] was stopped by the 17th District policemen and was arrested for possession of a .357 magnum revolver. He further advised that he has heard that [ ] is being held at the Detention Center and that he may have to serve a sentence because he also was on parole at the time of this last arrest. The Carpenter Street gang still intends to kill [ ] and [ ]. They vow that they will continue to shoot members of the Black Mafia until they have killed the above named individuals. For this reason, the members of the Black Mafia have been avoiding South Philadelphia.

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The Carpenter Street gang recently stabbed [ ] a member of the Black Mafia. Source stated that he spoke with [ ]

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On February 28, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia did not hold its meeting during the week of February 25, 1974 because of the NOI's Savior's Day Celebration in Chicago on February 26, 1974. He advised that a greater part of the Black Mafia members attended the Celebration and that many wore the mink coats provided by [ ]

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The Black Mafia had scheduled an important meeting for the evening of March 4, 1974, and that the meeting place would be given to the members at Ciro's Bar, as in the past.

[ ] was further questioned regarding the ultimate goal of the Black Mafia. He stated that the Black Mafia is striving to get a percentage of all money being made in the city, whether it is being earned legally or illegally. This had always been the goal of [ ] and that [ ] had sold this idea to others. He initially ran into problems because the people he tried to get to join him did not get along with each other. [ ] was able to settle most of the problems and to bring some of the original Black Mafia members together. Once established the membership continued to grow, mainly through association with the NOI. The Black Mafia has generally been successful in taking part of the profits from the large criminal operations in Philadelphia.

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On March 6, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia had a meeting on Monday, March 4, 1974, at [ ] Philadelphia and nine individuals were in attendance with the meeting directed by [ ]

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The meeting was rather short, lasting only one and a half hour due to the small number of people in attendance. [ ] was visibly irritated with the small number present.

The following items were discussed:

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[ ] stated that [ ] were going to pay a visit to [ ] sometime before this week is out. He stated they were going to physically beat this individual so that he would not cooperate in the future with the FBI concerning his contact with the Black Mafia. He stated it was planned to stop [ ] on his way home somewhere between the bar and his house.

In addition to the above, [ ] mentioned for the first time the name [ ]

He stated that [ ] is an [ ] very closely associated with organized crime figures in South Philadelphia and operates in the area of 18th and Dickinson Streets.

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Members of the Black Mafia were attempting to set up appointments with [ ] to discuss protection payments but that [ ] never kept any of these appointments. He stated that [ ] advised them that they were going to place more emphasis on [ ] in the near future.

[ ] frequents Hedgeman's Bar (ph) in the area of 18th and Dickinson Streets and the Melrose Diner in the area of 15th and Snyder Streets and has a brother by the name of [ ] (ph).

He also stated that [ ] always carries a handgun of some type.

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[ ] also stated that [ ] told them about an individual known as [ ], who is a narcotics trafficker.

[ ] frequents the bar known as Tillman's Turf located at 20th and Reed Streets, and also the bar located at 24th and Norris.

He also advised that this individual drives a 1972 black Cadillac, which he stated is very probably registered in the name of [redacted]

[redacted] stated that [redacted] advised [redacted] is going to be visited by individuals from the Black Mafia for protection pay-offs. He also stated that [redacted] is fully aware of these intended visits and is "running scared". He also stated that [redacted] carries no handgun or any other weapon of any type.

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On March 13, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

On March 10, 1974, approximately 25 members of the Black Mafia were present at a meeting conducted by [redacted]. This meeting was held at a house directly across the street from [redacted].

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One of the topics of discussion was the collection of pay-off money. It was mentioned that [redacted] has not paid since [redacted] was arrested, and that [redacted] still has not paid. None of the bigger members of the Black Mafia want to take the chance of being arrested while making a pick-up, so they have decided to recruit new members to make the rounds for them. The names of [redacted] aka [redacted] and [redacted] aka [redacted] were brought up as possibilities to fill this job. [redacted] at one time sold narcotics for [redacted] and is known as a stick-up man and a "strong arm" type who is not afraid to use a gun. [redacted] has several firearms in his home. [redacted] is also known as a stick-up man, who allegedly was arrested several weeks ago for armed robbery and has also been arrested on drug and firearms charges. Most of the Black Mafia members from West Philadelphia do not know [redacted] and [redacted] and hesitated in voting them in. It was decided that they would give [redacted] a chance to prove themselves.

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The Black Mafia plans to send [ ] and [ ] to see [ ] as one of their first assignments. The plan is to have [ ] and [ ] visit Nookie's Bar on the first occasion without them speaking to anyone in the bar. Once [ ] has seen them, they will return a later date to "take care of things". [ ] quoted [ ] as making the following statement about [ ] "Ain't no local nigger gettin' away with no (obscene) like that". [ ] commented that [ ] aka [ ] is a good friend of [ ] and that the Black Mafia is aware of this. He speculated that the Black Mafia may be watching [ ] or may try to use him to get to [ ]. He stated that [ ] has a reputation for talking, especially while under pressure.

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The Black Mafia again discussed the possibility of pressuring [ ] aka [ ] and [ ] [ ] sells cocaine and heroin in the area of 20th and Reed. He also [ ]

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[ ] drives a 1972 Cadillac Coupe DeVille, black with a white vinyl top, and a 1970 brown Cadillac Coupe DeVille. He is reported to live in West Philadelphia.

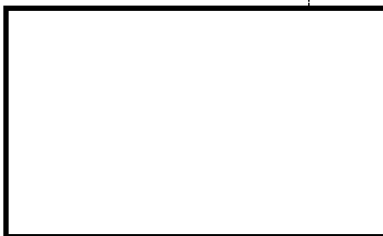
The Black Mafia is still concerned about the 20th and Carpenter Street Gang. Most of the Black Mafia members from the South Philadelphia area are avoiding any trips to South Philadelphia. It has been suggested that the Black Mafia members from West and North Philadelphia should handle the business in South Philadelphia, however, none of the members want to go up against the Carpenter Street Gang. There is a squad of eight members of the 20th and Carpenter Street Gang who are responsible for all of the shootings. This group is lead by [ ] and they are staying at [ ]. They will shoot any member of the Black Mafia that they see, and that they now intend to kill [ ]

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With regards to membership in the Black Mafia and their corresponding membership in the NOI, source advised that all members of the Black Mafia are "associate" with the NOI except [redacted] and [redacted]. He further stated that the only members of the Black Mafia known to source who have their "X" names are:

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[redacted] further advised that [redacted] wants to get out of the Black Mafia, but is afraid to make his feelings known to other members for fear of being killed. [redacted] is likewise afraid of being killed by the 20th and Carpenter Street Gang.

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On March 22, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia held a meeting on March 18, 1974, which was attended by 12 to 15 members. The meeting was conducted by [redacted] and lasted a short time. The attendance was low because some members were out of town and other members did not feel like attending.

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] aka [redacted] and [redacted] aka [redacted] attended the last Black Mafia meeting. He stated that the above individuals, in addition to [redacted] have recently been picking up the extortion money for the Black Mafia. He also advised that [redacted]

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Another topic of discussion was [redacted] The Black Mafia plans to physically assault [redacted] on to convince [redacted] to make his back extortion payments. [redacted] has been chosen for this job and plans indicate that [redacted] will try to stop [redacted] on [redacted] [redacted] had no idea when the Black Mafia planned to act on this plan.

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Also at the last Black Mafia meeting the members spoke about [redacted] It was mentioned that [redacted] is not in Philadelphia; however, they indicated that they still intend to keep him from appearing in court to testify against [redacted] and [redacted]

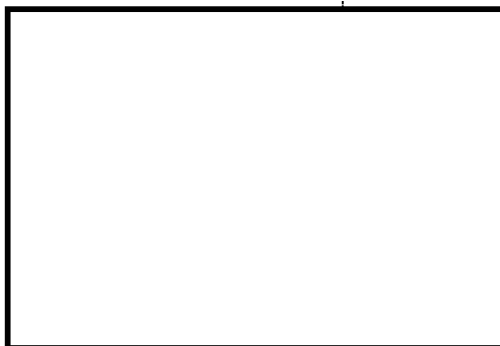
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A special meeting of the Black Mafia was scheduled for the evening of March 22, 1974. He had no idea why this meeting had been called. He further advised that most members of the Black Mafia are currently frequenting a bar located on the corner of 18th and Dauphin Streets.

On March 29, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia met for a special meeting on March 22, 1974. He stated that the following members were present:

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The purpose of the meeting was to discuss a problem the Black Mafia had encountered with LEM MORRIS, aka MOOSE. He stated that [redacted] conducted the meeting, and told the group that MORRIS was given money to purchase 50 ounces of quinine. He substituted another compound for the quinine and now the Black Mafia planned to deal with him. No name was mentioned as being the individual who would take care of MORRIS. [redacted] stated, however, that he heard that the last person seen with MORRIS before he died was [redacted]

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The information reported above regarding LEM MORRIS was passed to [redacted] Philadelphia Police Department (PHPD) on April 1, 1974. [redacted] stated that MORRIS had been killed on the evening of March 22, 1974, and his body had been found in a burning automobile at 8:27 PM, that date. [redacted] further advised that the police department has no leads.

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On April 5, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] and [redacted] met at Giro's Bar on April 1, 1974. A meeting was not conducted because of the poor attendance and it was mentioned that the meeting place would be moved to New Jersey. The meetings would be held at a place owned by [redacted] drives a car with New Jersey tags.

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The Black Mafia is currently trying to recruit "hit men" from within the City of Philadelphia. He stated that most of the Black Mafia's best men are in jail, and that the FBI and local police have temporarily hurt them. The problems with the 20th and Carpenter Street Gang have caused South Philadelphia to be more open than it has been. The Black Mafia is still picking up their protection money, but they are not expanding their control at the same rate as they previously were.

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[redacted] was recently talking about getting [redacted] out of jail. No mention of when or how they planned to get him out.

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Regarding the arrangement of the Black Mafia "families" in Philadelphia, [redacted] advised that [redacted] run North Philadelphia. Each man has his own squad of about ten men.

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[redacted] South  
Philadelphia is run by [redacted]

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A Black Mafia meeting was held on April 15, 1974, at [redacted]. There were 50 to 75 members present and that the meeting was run by [redacted] and [redacted].

The Black Mafia has again started to become active in the Philadelphia area. He mentioned the fact that members of the Black Mafia and 20th and Carpenter Street Gang are moving freely in the South Philadelphia area. The Black Mafia and Carpenter Street Gang had a meeting to settle some of their differences and that the Black Mafia had agreed to stay out of the territory controlled by the Carpenter Street Gang. The only Black Mafia members the Carpenter Street Gang still wish to kill are [redacted].

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There are at least two men currently in Philadelphia who were brought from Detroit by [redacted]. These men are in Philadelphia for the specific purpose of learning who is selling narcotics outside of Black Mafia members and eventually to insure that the Black Mafia is the sole source of narcotics in Philadelphia. He also stated

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that he has heard that there are more than two men in Philadelphia from Detroit but he has only seen two. He could provide no description but stated that they are driving a late model black Lincoln Continental with a white vinyl top, sunroof, and bearing Illinois tags.

There was a recent incident involving several Black Mafia members who sell narcotics for [redacted] One of [redacted] was robbed of \$2,000 in the area of 19th and Mountain Streets. [redacted]

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[redacted] was reprimanded by members of the Black Mafia at the last meeting. It seems that [redacted] recently purchased a new Thunderbird with the money that he should have been putting into the Black Mafia's bail fund. Each Black Mafia member is obligated to pay ten percent of his weekly income to this bail fund.

On May 8, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

A meeting was held by the Black Mafia on May 7, 1974. [redacted]

by one [redacted] and stated that [redacted]

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The meeting began at approximately 7:30 PM and lasted for one and a half hours with 15 to 20 members present.

[redacted] conducted this meeting and that the main topic of discussion was pressure to be placed on the following individuals for protection payoffs.

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[redacted] This individual [redacted]  
at [redacted]  
the [redacted]  
is approximately 50 years old, and  
is married. Source advised that this  
individual is [redacted]  
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[redacted] This individual [redacted]  
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[redacted] This individual [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] Source  
stated he does not know where  
this individual resides, but  
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[redacted] Philadelphia,  
Pa. He also stated this  
individual is [redacted]  
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These individuals are going to be contacted  
prior to May 11, 1974.

On May 15, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

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The Black Mafia is again meeting at the Storybook  
Lounge in South Philadelphia and is being run by [redacted]  
The regular meeting did not take place on May 14, 1974,  
because the members were involved in making arrangements  
for narcotics with [redacted] aka [redacted]  
[redacted] from Boston.

The Black Mafia is far from closing down its operations. He stated that [redacted] aka [redacted] and [redacted] are making some of the collections for the Black Mafia. [redacted] is reportedly driving a 1974 red Ford Tor no. The Black Mafia has taken in at least ten to 12 new members from the area of North Philadelphia, however, he could not identify any of them.

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It is a well-known fact that the Black Mafia and the Carpenter Street Gang have settled their differences. He added, however, that the Carpenter Street Gang plans to let things get back to normal so that [redacted] and [redacted] will make themselves more accessible. Once this happens, they plan to shoot [redacted] and [redacted] to carry through with their original grudge.

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There was recently a shooting in South Philadelphia involving the Pierce Street Gang and the 20th and Federal Street Gang. The Pierce Street Gang is part of the Black Mafia and the 20th and Federal Street Gang has been resisting the Black Mafia's efforts to get them to sell narcotics for them. The 20th and Federal Street Gang is a fairly large and strong street gang and may present problems in the future for the Black Mafia.

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III. INTERVIEWS



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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/7/73

[redacted] Philadelphia, Pa., was provided with the identity of SA [redacted] and the purpose of the interview. [redacted] furnished the following information:

I operate an afterhours place in my house and on the Saturday before Labor Day I was awakened at 2:5 a.m. by two men ringing the doorbell. I let them into the house and we went to the basement. Shortly thereafter several more individuals came in and all of us were sitting around talking and drinking. After a while my [redacted] came into the house and he handled the door. One of the men he let into the house came downstairs and peered over the bannister and asked for [redacted]. I said [redacted] who and he said you know [redacted]. He was told there was no [redacted] present. He leaned over the bannister to get a better look and then turned and went upstairs. After a few minutes the same man and several other men came downstairs with shotguns and pistols. I believe there were about ten altogether. One of the men had a stocking cap over his face and one of them said, all right, everyone get your hands up and start getting your clothes off. This is a hold-up. Everyone started undressing and someone clicked a gun a couple times. One of them said, whose the house lady. Put your head down and don't look up. I told them it was me and he told me to put my housecoat on and come upstairs to get the rest of the money in the house.

We went upstairs and I gave him \$550 and he found about \$350 more. He put a pistol to my head and asked if there was any more money in the house and I had better not be lying to him or else he would shoot the kids if I did. He then marched me back downstairs into the basement. After returning to the basement this particular fellow was still taking off his clothes and one of the robbers walked over to him and said, nigger I'm talking about you and shot him in the side.

I was then made to lie down on the couch next to [redacted]. While all of this was going on the doorbell continued to ring and one of the robbers upstairs let the people in and they were made

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to come into the basement and undress and were also robbed.

There was one man behind the bar who began acting up and singing along with the music. He said, we're going to have a party. The man came from behind the bar, picked out some lady and told her to come behind the bar with him. He told one of the [redacted]

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There were ten men who came into the house and did all these things. There were about 50 people altogether who came into the house and they were made to undress and lay on top of each other. These men were there from about 3:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m. They also took a colored television out of the bedroom before they left. Their last words were "don't look up and keep your heads down; we have to shoot three of you anyway". I don't know exactly when they left.

[redacted] was shown approximately 63 Philadelphia Police photographs from which she selected the following two as being involved in the robbery-rape at her home:

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Philadelphia Police Department  
Photograph # [redacted]

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Philadelphia Police Department  
Photograph # [redacted]

[redacted] identified [redacted] as one of the men [redacted] She identified [redacted] as the man who stood behind the bar as if he was in charge of things and who also raped one of the women.

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[redacted] Philadelphia, Pa., furnished the following information to SA [redacted]

On September 2, 1973 (the Sunday before Labor Day), he was standing in front of Goldies Bar, Atlantic City, N.J., when [redacted] (phonetic) [redacted] Negro male, in early 20's, introduced him to [redacted] (whom he identified from Philadelphia Police Department photograph number [redacted] because he could find out who committed the crime at his house. [redacted] told [redacted] what had happened because he [redacted] came by his house after it had been robbed. He had also been there late Saturday night before the robbery. After the introduction there was no conversation with [redacted] in Atlantic City.

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Back in Philadelphia [redacted] tried to get me two or three times at the house and my store on Baltimore Avenue. He finally caught me one night [redacted] He came by there twice before and the girl told him I was not there. He came the next night and we went upstairs and talked. [redacted] said he probably knew who the people were that robbed me and raped the women in my house [redacted] and wanted to know what I wanted with him. He then started talking about a price - how much I was willing to pay for them. I told him to get the information and after I evaluated it I would tell him what I would pay.

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A week later [redacted] and his partner drove up in a 1973 beige, vinyl top over brown Monte Carlo and told me he had all the information and said they were from South Philadelphia. He said if I gave him \$150 he would give me their names and addresses. I told him to come back the next day and I would have the money. He did not show up and I have not had any contact with him since then.

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by SA [redacted] <sup>DL</sup> <sub>1/b</sub> <sup>b7C</sup> 86 Date dictated 12/7/73

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On December 26, 1973, [redacted] date of birth [redacted] was advised of the identities of SAs [redacted] and [redacted] as Special Agents of the FBI and that the reason for the interview was concerning his complaint, which was concerning the Black Mafia.

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[redacted] advised that he along with a other Negro male, whose name he does not care to mention, had been threatened by four individuals, who wanted him to sell narcotics for them. [redacted] stated that the four individuals are [redacted] also known as (aka) [redacted] aka [redacted] [redacted] aka [redacted] and [redacted] aka [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that he was approached on December 10, 1973, by the above four individuals, who stated they were with Black Inc., Chapter II. They advised [redacted] that since he once sold marijuana, they now wanted him to sell drugs for them. He was advised that if he could not buy the narcotics, that they would supply it, and he could sell for them. [redacted] told all four boys that he was no longer in the drug business and that even when he was he only sold reefers. He stated that since he was out of the business now, he no longer had any intentions of going back into it.

[redacted] was advised by the above four individuals that if he did not sell narcotics for them that his family would be the one to suffer. [redacted] asked the boys what they meant by that, and they told him to figure it out for himself.

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He further advised that should he see pictures of the four individuals named above, he could identify them. [REDACTED] stated that he had not advised the Philadelphia Police Department concerning this matter, because of his prior experiences with the department.

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Philadelphia, Pa., telephone number [redacted] was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and told that the reason for the interview was concerning information, which had come to our attention, that he was being extorted by members of the "Black Mafia". [redacted] stated that he is the [redacted]

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] About a week before December 22, 1973, a Negro male, who identified himself as [redacted] came into his tap room and asked him to buy a newspaper called "Mohammad Speaks", which is printed for the Nation of Islam. [redacted] stated he had never seen this individual before and in order to get him out of the tap room, he bought the paper.

The next day, the same individual came into the tap room and asked [redacted] to buy some fish and orange juice, which he was distributing. [redacted] stated that he knew from past knowledge that the Nation of Islam, better known to him as "Black Muslims", had several businesses in the Philadelphia area; two of which consisted of selling produce and fish at some type of distribution center. [redacted] stated that he told [redacted] that he had no need for the fish or the orange juice either at home or to be sold at the tap room. [redacted] left shortly thereafter.

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Approximately two days later, [redacted] and another individual, whose first name is [redacted] came into the tap room and asked to speak with [redacted] privately. [redacted] took both individuals to a booth in the back of the tap room so that they could talk quietly. He stated that he was scared but that he did not want to show any fear in front of his customers and his two barmaids. The two men told [redacted] that they would like a donation from him of approximately \$200, it would be used for Founder's Day. This according to [redacted] is some religious holiday for the Nation of Islam. [redacted] stated that he told both

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men that he did not mind donating something but there was no way he could contribute \$200. [redacted] (First Name Unknown) told [redacted] he better come up with the money and that he was not playing games with [redacted]. In order to stall for time, [redacted] told the men to come back later that day. [redacted] stated that after they left, he made a few telephone calls to some friends, whom he would not name, in order to find out what he should do. Since he did not get a satisfactory answer, [redacted] stated he decided to give the two men \$150 hoping that this time they would go easy and leave him alone. Later that same day, Tuesday, December 18, 1973, the two men came back to the tap room and [redacted] gave the \$150 to this [redacted] but making sure that it was understood that no other money would be forthcoming for any reason. The two men took the money and left the tap room. On Thursday, December 20, 1973, [redacted] along with one other Negro male, entered the tap room and physically persuaded [redacted] to go to a booth in the back where they could talk privately. At that time, [redacted] told [redacted] that as of Friday, December 21, 1973, at 6:00 p.m., and every Friday thereafter, he would be making a \$200 payment to them. They told [redacted] that it was their understanding that he was selling narcotics in his tap room and for that reason he was now being assessed \$200.00 a week. [redacted] stated that no matter how he denied selling drugs, they would not listen to him. [redacted] stated that he got very mad and scared at the same time and tried to get up and walk away. At that time, [redacted] stood up, put his hand inside his coat as if he had some type of revolver and told [redacted] he better sit back down. [redacted] stated he sat back down. [redacted] told [redacted] but if the payment was not made promptly every Friday, he, [redacted] could expect more trouble than he could imagine. After the three men left, [redacted] stated he left the tap room and as of this interview, he had not returned.

[redacted] stated that according to his barmaid, [redacted] and [redacted] have visited the bar on numerous occasions since that time, asking for him.

[redacted] stated that he had not reported this matter to the Philadelphia Police Department in any official way but that he had told this information to a policeman, who happens to be a friend.

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[redacted] described [redacted] as being a Negro male, height approximately 5'11", weight 170 pounds, black crop hair, medium complexion, age 27 to 30, and alleges to be a lieutenant in the Nation of Islam.

He described [redacted] as being 5'10", approximately 180 pounds, wears a medium afro bush, has a mustache, medium complexion and has a large burn or birth mark in the temple area of the left side of his face, which reaches back to the hairline.

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[redacted] stated he has seen [redacted] and [redacted] riding in two different automobiles, first one is a white over blue Buick Electra, which is a 1968 or 1969 model year; second is a black Buick, two-door, approximately a 1970 or 1971 model year.

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Date of transcription May 7, 1974

On May 1, 1974, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Philadelphia, Pa., telephonically contacted the Philadelphia Office of the FBI and spoke to Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that he would like to meet with SA [REDACTED] to give him certain information that had come to his attention that might be of use to the Federal Bureau of Investigation in its investigation of the Black Mafia organization.

[REDACTED] suggested that a meeting be made at a restaurant located between Chestnut and Market on Fourth Street at approximately 10 a.m. on May 2, 1974.

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Date of transcription May 7, 1974

On May 3, 1974, [redacted]  
[redacted] Philadelphia, Pa.,  
telephonically contacted the Philadelphia Office of the  
Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and advised Special  
Agent (SA) [redacted] that the associate of [redacted] b7C  
had spoken to [redacted] concerning the fire bombing  
and the threat on the life of [redacted] was  
[redacted] telephone number  
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On May 2, 1974, [redacted] and [redacted] met with Special Agent (SA) [redacted] at a restaurant located on the west side of Fourth Street between Market and Chestnut Streets at approximately 12 minutes after 10 a.m. [redacted] introduced [redacted] to SA [redacted]

[redacted] started to advise SA [redacted] as to information that had come to his attention concerning the Black Mafia when he was interrupted by SA [redacted] and told that any information he should give concerning certain alleged crimes would be held in strictest confidence. However, any alleged crimes that did not come under FBI jurisdiction would be disseminated to those agencies that have jurisdiction over those matters, be it the Philadelphia Police Department, the Federal Drug Enforcement Agency or the Chester, Pa. Police Department.

[redacted] and [redacted] were advised that this was not an interview but only a chance for them to give any information they wished that may aid the FBI in covering crimes under its jurisdiction.

At that time, [redacted] advised that some time during the week of April 21 through April 27, 1974, a vacant drug store which is located next to the headquarters of the Black Economic Development Conference (BEDC), which is located in the 1000 block of Somerset Street, Philadelphia, Pa., was fire bombed. He further stated that it was his opinion that both the Philadelphia Fire Marshals Office and the Philadelphia Police Department were presently investigating the matter. However, to the best of his knowledge no one had been arrested for the alleged arson.

[redacted] stated that he thought little about the incident until on Monday, April 29, 1974, an employee or an associate of BEDC, who he did not wish to name at this time, had been in contact with [redacted] who is a Nation of Islam (NOI) minister presently an assistant to FARRAKAN, who is a Black Muslim, national representative, and leader of the

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New York mosque. This associate stated that [redacted] had advised him that he, [redacted] was glad that this associate no longer lived in the upstairs quarters above BEDC any longer because it might be very dangerous to his health. During the conversation between [redacted] and the associate, it was obvious to the associate that [redacted] was knowledgeable concerning the fire bombing of the vacant drug store which had happened the previous week.

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According to [redacted] is originally from Chester, Pa., and [redacted]

[redacted] which is published in Chester, Pa. [redacted] further advised that [redacted] is not a NOI member and that he had been seriously ill for the past year. This is the reason that [redacted] has been spending more time in the Chester, Pa. area as well as the fact that it is street knowledge that [redacted] would like to take over the Chester, Pa. NOI leadership.

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[redacted] further stated that some time during the latter part of 1969 or the early part of 1970, there was a fire bombing in Chester, Pa. which was directed at the home of a local magistrate who was white and considered insensitive to the aspirations of blacks in the Chester, Pa. area. However, the fire bomb missed its mark; and instead of fire bombing the magistrate's home, the home of a neighbor was torched instead. According to [redacted] a little girl died because of the fire.

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To the best of his knowledge, no one was charged for the arson. However, it was his belief that a young man by the name of [redacted] from Chester was arrested and questioned concerning the fire bombing. Other individuals who were suspected at that time as being part of the fire bombing were [redacted] from North Philadelphia, who is presently incarcerated, and a [redacted] of Chester, who is presently out on bail on the charge of Robbery. Another individual was [redacted]. These individuals were all suspected as being part of the fire bombing. One other individual by the name of [redacted] or [redacted] was also suspected. However, to the best of his knowledge neither [redacted] participated in any way, shape, form or fashion. The other individuals, however, are members of the NOI; and it is [redacted] opinion that these individuals were involved in the 1969 or 1970 fire bombing in Chester and it is likely were involved in the fire bombing of the drug store next to his headquarters on Somerset Street.

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Also during the conversation between [ ] and the BEMC associate, [ ] said that an accident would shortly befall [ ] associate, and it would probably be some time soon.

[ ] stated that these threats against his headquarters, against his life and the life of [ ] all stem from the fact that he has accused certain members of the NOI as being in the leadership of the Black Mafia organization, which is responsible for the overwhelming majority of the narcotics which is sold in black concentrated areas of the City of Philadelphia. As to the threat to [ ] and to himself, [ ] of the Philadelphia mosque, made the same threats, but not in an overt way. [ ] only stated that he, [ ], could not be held responsible for the actions of all muslims in the Philadelphia area any more than the Pope could be held responsible for all the actions of Roman Catholics in the City of Philadelphia. [ ] further allegedly stated to [ ] that the slander which he had perpetrated on the NOI may cause some of his ardent followers to take action upon themselves, which he, [ ] could not and would not be responsible for.

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At this time, [ ] advised that approximately two or three weeks ago while driving his automobile, he came to a red light and attempted to stop his vehicle. However, when he applied his brakes, they failed; and he ran into the back of a truck. After the accident, he had an automobile mechanic check the brakes, at which time he was advised that someone had tampered with his brakeline.

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[ ] stated that he would contact his associate who had spoken with [ ] in order to find out if that associate would mind having his name used as the one who spoke with [ ] since the information was given to [ ] in a confidential way. Upon receiving an answer, [ ] stated he would telephonically contact the Philadelphia Office of the FBI and give his associate's answer.

The talk with [ ] and [ ] concluded at approximately 20 minutes until 11 a.m.

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[redacted] was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and told that the reason for the interview was information received by Federal Strike Force Attorney [redacted] that [redacted] wanted to speak with Federal Agents.

[redacted] was advised by Special Agent [redacted] that the Government could make no promises concerning his pending sentence in a narcotics case, and that regardless what information he should give Bureau Agents, the Government could not in any way influence his sentencing scheduled June 24, 1974.

SA [redacted] further advised [redacted] that these were the instructions given to him for [redacted] by [redacted] and that should he still want to talk to Special Agents of the FBI, any information given which aided in other investigations would be disseminated to the proper agency, and [redacted] so that his sentencing judge could be informed of [redacted] cooperation with law enforcement authorities.

[redacted] stated that four men participated in the murder of MAJOR BENJAMIN COXSOM. Those individuals are [redacted]

[redacted] could not substantiate how or why the murder took place, but only that the above four individuals did the actual murder of COXSOM, and the subsequent shooting of his family members.

[redacted] advised that there was a double homicide in Camden, N.J., in 1973, of the men whose last names were TELJMAN and STROUD. According to [redacted] the following individuals participated in the homicides: [redacted] and [redacted] an unknown Negro male who lived in the Camden, N.J., area.

Concerning the murder of ROBERT MARINGTON, [redacted] and [redacted] were the ones who perpetrated that murder.

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Concerning the murder of [redacted] [redacted] stated that [redacted] was the perpetrator of the murder. He said the murder took place on Roy Street in the 1200 block, the second house from the corner on the south side of the street. [redacted] stated that this was [redacted] new hide-out, but that he is presently living in New York City, exact address unknown. [redacted] was advised that [redacted] is presently a Federal fugitive and that the FBI was interested in apprehending him as soon as possible. [redacted] stated that [redacted] is the Black Mafia's new "Overseer". He advised that [redacted] was in Chicago for a long time, but had to leave. He has two cousins by the name of [redacted] [redacted] also known as [redacted] and [redacted] whom he contacts on a regular basis by telephone. [redacted] also has a close friend by the name of [redacted] who lives on [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa.

South and West Philadelphia is presently controlled by Black Mafia Co. of [redacted] with the help of [redacted]. North Philadelphia is controlled by Black Mafia [redacted]

The Black Mafia is now getting into the illegal numbers business. Those presently engaged in that activity are [redacted]

[redacted] who incidentally is the new Black Mafia "Supreme Captain".

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The Black Mafia is really the main drug supply group in Philadelphia. [redacted] whose true name is [redacted] has a main drug contact in New York City and he supplies all of the drugs to [redacted] [redacted] Black Mafia's largest drug [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]

The rank in the Black Mafia is as follows:



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The membership of the Black Mafia in Philadelphia presently consists of 100 members and the following cities have Black Mafia connections:

New York City, N.Y.  
Detroit, Michigan  
Atlanta, Ga.  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Camden, N.J.

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On July 12, 1974, [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa., advised the following information:

[redacted] Minister of the Black Muslims in Philadelphia, has been central over all drug traffic in Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted] has connections which bring heroin and cocaine into the City of Philadelphia and thereafter distributes it to associates in the business. The origin of the drugs is in the Bahamas, but [redacted] sometimes makes his buys through an intermediate in Miami, Fla. Once a deal is made on drugs coming from the Bahamas, the drugs go to Miami and then are transported to Atlanta, Ga., onto Washington, D. C., and ultimately to Philadelphia.

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The cocaine never arrives in Philadelphia, but is kept and distributed in Washington, D. C. The heroin is raw when it leaves the Bahamas; however, it is broken down one degree in Washington, D. C., and then brought onto Philadelphia. Once the drugs reach Philadelphia, [redacted] uses women to cut. The women are usually given the drugs in 1/8 kilo quantities and, depending on the [redacted] has slated for the order, the 1/8 kilo is cut to make less than 1/2 kilo to one whole kilo. [redacted] advised that different dealers from different areas of the city each receive a different mixture of their drugs. For example, [redacted] obtained a full kilo of uncut drugs from [redacted], while other dealers would receive the 1/8 kilo which had been priced to a whole kilo. This was something just short of pure junk.

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After the heroin has been cut by one of [redacted] selected women, the drugs are then distributed to dealers. [redacted] stated that in addition to [redacted] another principal dealer was a [redacted] [redacted] paid a lot of money to [redacted] and to [redacted] and would not receive heroin. [redacted] has his own area, which he deals mostly in "household". The money [redacted] is a percentage which [redacted] must pay in order to operate [redacted] is so strong, he either forces [redacted] to work in his drug operation or [redacted] in order to operate.

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[redacted] of Philadelphia is [redacted] connection for obtaining drugs and getting them back to the Philadelphia area. When a drug deal starts [redacted] will receive a telegram or other correspondence indicating that the deal is ready. For example, a telegram will come in and simply say "Your horse paid well", then a figure is given such as \$100,000 or \$25,000, and this lets [redacted] know how much the deal is worth.

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[redacted] recalled two or three deals involving \$100,000 and stated that a deal could range anywhere from one to three or more kilos in each case. [redacted] again uses women in order to consummate a drug deal. Money is carried in suitcases by women and usually [redacted] would take a woman with him via airplane, generally National Airlines, to Miami or he would send a woman ahead and meet her in Miami when a deal was on.

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When in Miami, [redacted] stays at only the finest hotels and [redacted] particularly recalled [redacted] staying at the Fontaine Bleu in Miami. [redacted] has been seen on a couple of occasions meeting [redacted] in Miami, Fla.

Once the money has been passed in Florida, [redacted] drives the drugs back to Miami, Fla., and then onto Washington, D. C., where the heroin is cut by 1%.

The man responsible for getting the drugs cut by 1% in Washington and distributing whatever amount of the drugs designated for Washington, is an individual by the name of [redacted] who is also known as [redacted]. [redacted] owns the "Spinnaker Inn", which is located in the 1300 or 1400 block of Georgia Avenue, Washington, D. C. [redacted] also owns Goldie's Bar in Columbia Heights, D. C. [redacted] controls the drug traffic in Washington, D. C., much the same as [redacted] controls drug traffic in Philadelphia.

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[redacted] has a partner the name of [redacted] who is his right hand man. [redacted] owns two buildings in the vicinity of 9th and Florida Avenues, N. E., Washington, D. C. [redacted] deals drugs to such a man known as [redacted] at [redacted], also known as [redacted] Hall, who owns a shoe and shoe place in one of [redacted] buildings at 9th and Florida Avenues.

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b7C [redacted] Once [redacted] has the drugs out in Washington, [redacted] is informed that the "package is ready" and he then picks up the drugs and delivers them into Philadelphia by automobile. The drugs are then turned over to [redacted] who has the heroin out by his women and distributed to his dealers.

b7C [redacted] never touches the drugs or carries money when going to set up any of his deals. Records are kept by [redacted] as to who owes him and what amounts of heroin dealers have received. Again, [redacted] has a woman who keeps books for him. [redacted] does keep his records in his car and at times in his home. [redacted] lives on [redacted] Street and also owns a two or three story house on Tulehocken Street. [redacted] does conduct some of his drug business at the Tulehocken address. At last account, there was no telephone at that residence.

b7C In addition to [redacted] involvement in the drug traffic in Philadelphia, he is also deeply involved in passing bad checks. Checks are passed throughout the City of Philadelphia, and a few have even ended up in Washington, D. C. Within the last month, an individual by the name of [redacted] was in possession of a book of American Express Money Orders which were obtained from the [redacted] check passing operation. [redacted] paid \$1,000 for the book of money orders which could be raised to a maximum of \$500 each. [redacted] obtained the money orders on a 50% basis, which means he paid one-half the maximum value. [redacted] was arrested a couple of months ago in Washington, D. C. for burglary charges.

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IV. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

The following pages set forth the current criminal activities of the Black Mafia:

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A. EXTORTION

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On October 29, 1973, [ ]  
advised as follows:

Approximately three days ago, two member of the Black Muslims came into Williams Luncheonette located on the northwest corner of 57th and Wyalusing Avenue, which establishment is run by [ ] and contacted [ ] and [ ] concerning contributing \$150 to \$200 a week from their numbers operation to the Muslims. The [ ] did not give these individuals a definite answer at the time as to whether they will agree to go through with this.

[ ] who is known as [ ] and [ ] has discontinued his numbers operation after the Muslims had contacted him concerning making a weekly payment.

[ ] has advised that he will no longer conduct a numbers operation after his release from prison inasmuch as the Muslims have attempted to obtain weekly payments from him. [ ] expressed the opinion, however, that [ ] will set up a new operation of different numbers writers who will be unknown to the Muslims.

[ ] stated that the Black Muslims have bought the building where [ ] ticket agency is located even though [ ] is now operating again from this ticket agency.

[ ] advised that there is reportedly a contract out for [ ] by people in New York City after a narcotics pusher by the name of TOMMY was killed by [ ] several weeks ago.

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On October 20, 1973, a man was killed at Barry's Den, 18th and Dauphin Street (which is owned by [redacted] and the man who was killed was dressed in the same manner as was [redacted] on that date.

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There is a Muslim headquarters located in the community center at 20th and Pemberton Streets, and each day at about 10:00 a.m. many black individuals start arriving at this location.

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On October 31, 1973, [redacted] advised as follows:

He was beaten and the interior of his business establishment was wrecked by four persons he believes connected with the Black Mafia. On October 17, 1973, he was contacted at his place of business and "asked to contribute to their organization". None of these four Negro males were known to source nor had he ever seen any of them before. He advised these four individuals were dressed casually and left without incident. He stated he did not wish to contribute to their organization. They had not asked him for money, but reiterated they "asked him to contribute to their organization".

On October 19, 1973, at approximately 7:30 or 7:45 p.m., four Negro males entered his business establishment and immediately proceeded to beat subject and an individual who was working him at that time. He was beaten with a sock filled with steel bearings and in addition to bruises about his body, received a cut on his head requiring five stitches and a severely bruised left leg below the knee. His display counters in the small store were wrecked by bars and sticks carried by the four Negro males. None of the Negro males were known to source nor had he ever seen them before. The four individuals who beat him on October 29, 1973, were not the same ones who approached him on October 17, 1973.

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[ ] stated that neighbors in the vicinity of his business establishment advised him and detectives from the First Police District, 24th and Wolf, Philadelphia, Pa., that the four individuals escaped in a gray car bearing New Jersey license tags. He further advised he observed one handgun during the time he was being beaten.

On November 15, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

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About two weeks ago three members of the Black Mafia went to Bill's Luncheonette, 57th and Wyalusing, and talked to [ ]. They told him that they knew he was in the numbers rackets and that they wanted him to "donate" some money to them to help buy groceries and toys for needy families for Christmas. They were told by [ ] that he had already made arrangements for similar contributions through some organization. The three men left and said that they would probably return. A day or two later 11 men came back to the vicinity of the store and stood on the corner in an intimidating fashion. Eleven of them came because they had previously been told "there are just as many of us as there are you." They again approached [ ] and this time they asked him to purchase several tickets to an affair they were giving at the Sheraton Hotel. [ ] bought several tickets for \$20.00 apiece and this averted any conflict at that time; however, it is suspected they will return and attempt to extort money or simply to rob [ ]. [ ] is also fearful that members of his family will be harmed by this group.

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Of the 11 individuals approaching [ ] only five of them were known:

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[redacted]

[redacted] (last name unknown)

(first name unknown) [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] stated he has also learned that the following individuals are also members of the Black Mafia:

[redacted], aka

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

(stickup man who lives  
"down at the bottom")

[redacted]

There are rumblings of some internal conflict between some of the older members of the Black Mafia like [redacted] and others, and the younger members. It appears that [redacted] and [redacted] have very little influence in the organization and they may be planning on starting their own group. If this is the case, according to source, there is likely to be a lot of blood spilled.

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The Black Mafia went to [redacted] and demanded \$150 a week from him for protection money.

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[redacted], who got out of prison around November 5th or 8th, has been approached by the Black Mafia. They demanded \$300 a week from him and he is very frightened because today (November 15) is his deadline and he is broke and cannot meet their demands. [redacted] is either thinking of getting out of the numbers game altogether or getting all new people to work for him in hopes of avoiding the Black Mafia.

[redacted] whom [redacted] describes as [redacted]  
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while ago. This murder occurred somewhere on 53rd Street in an apartment in West Philadelphia. Although the woman's body was supposed to be badly decomposed, [redacted] is supposed to have thrown acid on her.

A few months ago [redacted] and [redacted] other individuals invaded a private home at [redacted] which was being used as an after hours "joint", i.e., gambling and serving drinks. They robbed all of the people at this place and raped three teenage girls and made them give them "blow jobs". [redacted] hit a two year old baby boy because he would not stop crying. This incident was not reported to the police because of the illegal activities occurring on the premises.

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On November 21, 1978, [redacted] advised as follows:

He has repeatedly heard from several sources that [redacted] 18th and Cumberland, is a member of the Black Mafia and is actively engaged in its narcotics and extortion matters. He speculates that [redacted] must have been converted after the incident several months ago when he was robbed by five Muslims and later demanded to obtain \$100,000 from his safety deposit box while his family was held hostage. [redacted] long time right hand man, [redacted], is also in the Black Mafia but more openly as he is one of the individuals who is extorting money from Philadelphia racketeers. [redacted] is reportedly to be a financier of the drug trade principally cocaine. [redacted] is credited with the murder of long time kingpin TOMMY FERRINGTON several weeks ago outside of one of the bars owned by [redacted] either [redacted], or [redacted]. The current word is that a contract is now out on [redacted] having been issued by FERRINGTON's past associates.

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One of the many North Philadelphia racketeers who has been approached by members of the Black Mafia and assessed for weekly payments for protection is [redacted]

[redacted] the Second Club at Ridge and Oxford Streets. Three or four representatives of the Black Mafia approached [redacted] at the bar recently and demanded \$350 per week protection money from him on behalf of his gambling operation. [redacted] is telling people that he stalled them temporarily and is currently telling people that he will close his gambling business. [redacted] speculates that this is just a maneuver of [redacted] in order to stall the issue until he and other old time racketeers can decide what to do about these demands. The talk on the street is that men like [redacted] who have been in business for so long are not yet believers of the sincerity and ruthlessness of the Black Mafia members.

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Another victim of the Black Mafia extortion was called upon by two or three Black Mafia members on Saturday night, November 17, 1973, he is [redacted]

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[redacted] was financed upon release from prison about a year ago by [redacted] and other Philadelphia Black racketeers. Reportedly [redacted] was badly beaten on Saturday night after refusing a demand by Black Mafia strong arm men to give them \$100,000. [redacted] was hospitalized for his injuries.

Another victim of Black Mafia extortion for protection money is [redacted] known as [redacted]. Reportedly on November 14, 1973, members of the Black Mafia approached [redacted] at [redacted] on Ludlow Street between 59th and 60th and demanded weekly payments. These payments were to be for [redacted] activities in numbers and dealing in cocaine.

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On November 27, 1973, [redacted] advised as follows:

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Several North Philadelphia gamblers and number bankers including [redacted] have been forced to pay weekly cash payments to the Black Mafia. Three men went to [redacted] at Ridge and Oxford and told him he had to pay \$300 per week for operating his numbers business in the black community.

[redacted] also stated that [redacted] is telling people he will quit the lottery business but does not believe it. Source does not know the identity of the men who approached [redacted] or how he pays.

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On December 6, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

He still pays money to the Black Mafia in order to operate his number business in the Black area of South Philadelphia. These payments continue to be made at the Bombay Lounge near 16th and Catharine Street. The payments are made by the [ ] to one of several Negro males that are sent there by [ ] [ ] also known as [ ]

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For some reason or another, the pressure tactics by the Black Mafia on various writers in South Philadelphia seem to have eased up for the moment. However, as he stated, he continues making his tribute payments to them.

From his own sources within the Black community, including his writer, [ ] stated he learned that [ ] who used to work for numbers banker, [ ] is involved with the Black Mafia inasmuch as he furnishes them with intelligence data on the activities of various numbers racketeers within their area. Source advised that [ ] has been in the numbers business for many years and knows the various writers and bankers, both in South Philadelphia and West Philadelphia. He has also been closely associated with [ ] for quite a few years.

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[ ] on his last pickup at the Bombay Lounge, was driving a light colored automobile, New Jersey license [ ]

On December 11, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

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Individuals associated with the Black Mafia in Philadelphia, Pa., have been engaged in extorting money from legitimate store owners and numbers writers in South Philadelphia. Several individuals have been approached by the Black Mafia and demanded to pay as much as \$300 a week in order to gain protection from the Black Mafia in the case of store owners and the continuation of illegal numbers writing activity in the case of gamblers.

The following individuals are known to have been approached by the Black Mafia within the past two or three months; however, it is unknown if any of the individuals are paying money to the Black Mafia at this time:

[redacted]

or

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

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[redacted] is a Negro male,  
5'6", 200 pounds, light  
complexion, [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted] in  
South Philadelphia, which  
is believed to be

[redacted]  
Philadelphia, Pa.

[redacted] was approached  
and beaten up by the Black  
Mafia approximately two and  
one-half months ago when he  
either refused or was slow  
in paying the Black Mafia  
extortion demands.

It is positively known that the following  
individuals have approached at least one of the above  
individuals within the last three months and demanded  
that a \$300 payment per week be made in order to continue  
in an illegal numbers operation:

[redacted] drives a green  
Volkswagen and lives on

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] During  
the week prior to December 3,  
1973, [redacted] shot one [redacted]

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           is one of the main individuals involved in the dirty work of the Black Mafia.

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[redacted] and [redacted] are also associated with the Black Mafia and associated with the above listed individuals.

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The basic method of the Black Mafia is to approach a store owner or a known numbers writer in the community and demand payment for protection. In the case of numbers writers they are advised that it is known they are working for white gamblers and in order to continue their activity they must pay \$300 a week to the Black Mafia. If the individuals do not cooperate the first time around, they are approached a short time later by a tougher group of guys who are more insistent that they cooperate. If the individuals again refuse to cooperate they are either beaten as in the case of [redacted] or they are kept under constant surveillance in order to make sure that they are not continuing their activities while refusing to pay the Black Mafia.

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[redacted] could not furnish the names of any specific police officers of the 17th District who were involved in this but rather stated that the whole 17th District was corrupt. The police are no longer able to get their pay-offs as usual knowing that as quick as they are able to stamp out the Black Mafia from extorting illegal numbers writers, they will be able to resume their pay-off activity.

On December 12, 1973, [redacted] advised as follows:

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Almost every North Philadelphia racketeer of any size has been a victim of extortion by individuals known as the Black Mafia. He has been personally informed by the following individuals that they have been contacted by three or four members of the Black Mafia, whose identities are unknown to him, during the past month and are now currently paying weekly sums of money to Black Mafia members for protection:

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was contacted about three days ago. [REDACTED] has a numbers business, is a fence for stolen goods, and is a high-stakes gambler who frequents North Philadelphia crap games. [REDACTED] in Germantown.

[REDACTED] a numbers banker, operates in the vicinity of 17th and Venango Streets.

[REDACTED] 18th and Cumberland, who was kidnapped by five Muslims during the past year and taken to a bank where he was demanded to obtain \$100,000 for them, is also making payments on a regular basis for the protection of gambling and narcotics activities in which he is involved. [REDACTED] close associate, [REDACTED] also known as [REDACTED], is closely attempting to establish contact with a New York City drug dealer whose identity source cannot recall at the present time. He is of the opinion that [REDACTED] does not wish to enter the narcotics business with this individual but merely learn enough of his activities in order to stick him up in the future. This is [REDACTED] way of doing things.

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Another victim of the Black Mafia during the past month was [redacted] 32nd and Allegheny Avenue. [redacted] a former dealer in narcotics who has spent time in prison for it, has a [redacted]

About three weeks ago on a Saturday morning, three Black Mafia members came to [redacted] at about 8:00 a.m. They were given entrance by a young girl employee who they bound and gagged and left behind the counter. They then went upstairs to [redacted] where they handcuffed him in bed and beat him with a shotgun. They took all the money they could find on his person as well as the till from the store but demanded \$100,000 or they would kill him. Friends of [redacted] sensing something was wrong since the store was closed attempted to gain entry and scared his assailants off who departed in two cars, one a Cougar and the other an Oldsmobile. He had heard that one of the individuals who robbed [redacted] is called [redacted] and lives in either the [redacted]

On Saturday night, November 24, 1973, the same day as the robbery of [redacted] and several other gamblers were at the crap game in the poolroom at Broad and Erie when three men entered. One of them acted as though he was drunk, and the other two just stood around. [redacted] or one of the others observed a shotgun hidden in the clothing of one of them and alerted the other gamblers that a stick-up was about to go down. Someone called the police and as they arrived, the three would-be robbers made their escape. He believes that at least one of them was apprehended, possibly the one with the shotgun. One of these men was named [redacted]

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During the past month, [redacted] whom he has known for many years in the drug trade and from gambling and other activities, was approached by several Muslims who forced him to buy freezer full of fish. He did not understand the significance of this but is certain that it happened.

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On December 18, 1973, [redacted] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia had given [redacted] an ultimatum "to pay or join up." The Black Mafia has desires to take over all black gambling operations and the [redacted] have the largest one going. He further advised that the Black Mafia has already paid the [redacted] two visits and on the third visit the decision is to be made as to paying or joining. According to [redacted], the [redacted] can muster a lot of strong arm men but few of them will go up against the Black Mafia. With [redacted] in jail and [redacted] on the run, the young Black Mafia members are anxious to make their reputations. The [redacted] operation is now their big target. If they can force the HARMONS into the fold, they can soon take over North Philadelphia also.

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On December 18, 1973, [redacted] advised as follows:

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Several individuals in South Philadelphia have been approached by members of the Black Mafia and attempts have been made to extort protection money from people. Mostly, the individuals approached by the Black Mafia are or were engaged in an illegal numbers writing activity.

The following are individuals who have been approached by the Black Mafia:

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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]  
Caribou Lounge, 17th and Wharton Streets.  
[redacted] was stuck up by the Black Mafia  
at which time \$2,000 to \$3,000 was taken.  
[redacted] drives a Cadillac bearing  
Pennsylvania license [redacted]

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NOTE: A check with Pennsylvania State Bureau of Motor  
Vehicles reflected above tag listed to  
[redacted] for  
a 1971 Cadillac.

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[redacted] also known as [redacted]  
[redacted] Philadelphia. (Black  
Mafia entered [redacted])  
[redacted]

[redacted] (last name unknown), [redacted]  
[redacted] is a white male, who  
operates a store at the above location.  
He was approached and beaten up by the  
Black Mafia approximately three weeks  
ago.)

On December 28, 1973, [redacted] advised as  
follows:

Black Mafia members are presently extorting  
money from a [redacted] [redacted]  
[redacted] [redacted]  
[redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. He stated that while in the

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bar last week, the barmaid received a telephone call asking for [redacted]. The unidentified male caller then asked the barmaid if the money had been packaged yet. She stated she had no idea what he was talking about. The unidentified caller told the barmaid that [redacted] knew what he was talking about and that the money had better be placed in a package and taken across the street to the Gino's Restaurant, located on the northeast corner of Market and 52nd, within the next hour.

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[redacted] stated that the barmaid hung up and immediately contacted [redacted] by phone. He listened but he could not determine whether or not arrangements were made to pay the money within the next hour.

[redacted] advised that it is street talk that the Black Mafia is moving in on the [redacted] illegal gambling operation. The [redacted] have the largest black numbers operation in Philadelphia. They are presently paying approximately \$00 a week to Black Mafia figures in order to alleviate violence perpetrated on their writers.

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On January 4, 1974 and January 14, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

The following individuals have been approached by the Black Mafia for protection money:



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[REDACTED]

Several members of the Black Mafia were threatening Philadelphia numbers writers and bankers with physical harm unless they made weekly payments to the Black Mafia. [REDACTED] provided the following names of individuals who are Black Mafia members or associates:

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[REDACTED]

Source advised that these and other Black Mafia members find out who is writing numbers in the community, find out who they are writing for and then approach them for payments. The principal numbers figures that have been hit are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. He heard that [REDACTED] is paying as much as \$700 per week.

[REDACTED] advised that he heard that the Black Mafia was going to "hit" a police officer by the name of [REDACTED] because he had been harassing Black Mafia members and members of the black community.

On January 10, 1974, [REDACTED] advised as follows:

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An organization known as the Black Mafia has been involved in widespread armed robberies of after hours joints and some bars. They are also involved in widespread extortion from individuals involved in numbers, gambling and narcotics. They are also extorting from numbers bar owners in North Philadelphia. [redacted] who is in charge of the Mosque at 13th and Susquehanna is the brains behind this group and his Mosque is known among the black community as the hoodlum Mosque. A percentage of all the monies received by the Black Mafia is turned over to [redacted]. Most of the crime committed in Philadelphia today is done by the Black Mafia or Muslims. He stated they are very powerful in Philadelphia and that Detroit is worse than Philadelphia. They have recruited very heavily from Graterford and Holmesburg Prisons and in fact they almost control these prisons. They have also very heavily recruited women who are also involved in their criminal activities.

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Anyone who is doing "anything" has to pay protection to the Black Mafia, however, there are a few instances where the people are not paying the Muslims but they are not allowed across a certain boundry until after the numbers go in, that is, a person paying protection to the Black Mafia is allowed freedom to go where he pleases in order to write numbers or what have you, whereas a non-paying person does not have this freedom. There are also instances where individuals have refused to pay protection money but the Muslims have related to them and demand that they buy Dailey's Orange Juice. He knows of instances where individuals are paying \$100 per case for this orange juice which he described as colored water.

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Recently the Black Mafia intensified their efforts to raise money because of Savior's Day which is coming up in February in Chicago and they want to go there with a lot of money. They have already raised the bail money for [REDACTED]. Approximately two weeks ago the Black Mafia was supposed to have negotiated with the White Mafia in South Philadelphia over territory. The Black Mafia has several squads specializing in different types of criminal activities and they also have squads responsible for certain geographical sections of the city. Everyone is aware of the activities of this criminal group and everyone is also aware of the murder of VELMA GREEN, a black woman who was killed in South Philadelphia a couple of months ago. GREEN was the only witness in a case against the Black Mafia member who killed her brother. Because of this fear people certainly are not willing to talk to law enforcement officials. The Black Mafia is so well organized and have so many contacts that if a person is paying protection money to them and they are robbed the Muslims are able to go out and get their "stuff" or the money back for them from whoever committed the crime.

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The following individuals are paying protection to the Black Mafia:

[REDACTED] big numbers banker in North Philadelphia who is back in his numbers business by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] left town recently and did not return until he got his money together to pay the Black Mafis who recently raised the price on him.

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[REDACTED] L's Bar.

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[redacted] \$150 weekly.

[redacted] (last name unknown), Set One Bar, 12th and Venango.

[redacted] (phonetic), numbers writer.

[redacted] (narcotics man).

[redacted] (narcotics).

[redacted] numbers man.

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Bird Cage Bar, 16th and Ridge.

[redacted] a numbers man who had a .38 caliber gun put to his head and threatened and whose brother was hurt by the Black Mafia.

[redacted] (last name unknown).

Lil's Bar, 6th and York.

Bar at 21st and Jefferson.

Belaire Bar, 20th and York.

[redacted] said that since [redacted] was kidnapped by several Muslims he has become a finger man, that is, pointing out to the Black Mafia individuals who are involved in some type of illegal activities. [redacted] and both of his sons are heavily involved in narcotics traffic in the Germantown Section of Philadelphia. [redacted] a leader of the Black Mafia in South Philadelphia, is a bodyguard for [redacted] and is a direct link between [redacted] and the Black Mafia. If anyone is paying

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protection and "someone" comes to them all they have to say is [redacted] and they will be left alone. [redacted] was told by [redacted] that the Black Mafia is wired into the police department and that they have as much intelligence information on the police as the police have on them. He was also told that the Black Mafia has photos of some police officers.

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On January 15, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

A Negro male called [redacted], who [redacted] is being extorted by Black Mafia. Source stated three black males came into [redacted] last week and physically took him out of the place. When he returned, he was upset and appeared scared to death. [redacted] stated that [redacted] allegedly dealing in narcotics and also handles numbers on the side. He described [redacted] as a Negro male, age 50, 6'0", 165 pounds, medium complexion.

The Philadelphia Police Department [redacted] who shot and killed a Negro male named MOZELL may have been part of the Black Mafia operation. Black police officers are being recruited for intelligence and for hit jobs. According to [redacted] black police department officers of the 17th Precinct are being heavily recruited.

On January 17, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

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On January 16, 1974, drug dealer [redacted] who frequents Big Jimmy's Barber Shop, 19th and Ridge Avenue, was tied up and robbed along with his wife in his home by the Black Mafia.

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It was the Black Mafia who took over a crap game in Germantown in the vicinity of Cheltenham Avenue about two weeks ago, which was run by [redacted] known as [redacted]. During this robbery, which lasted about eight hours, everyone who entered the crap game was robbed and forced to lie on the floor with the others. A total of 20 people were robbed and the take was about \$10,000. One of those who was robbed was [redacted] a [redacted]

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On January 22, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

He is paying the Black Mafia \$150 a week for protection. He said that [redacted] and [redacted] are the two individuals who come by his place to collect. He also said that he has to pay \$21.00 a week for the Muslim newspaper, "Muhammad Speaks". Other individuals paying protection to the Black Mafia are [redacted] (last name unknown) [redacted] [redacted]. He is also paying \$150 weekly. [redacted] (last name unknown) at [redacted] is paying \$800 weekly to the Black Mafia.

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The businessmen in South Philadelphia have become so disgruntled with paying off the Black Mafia that there is rumor they (businessmen) are going to form a vigilante group to "take care" of the Black Mafia.

On February 8, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] has been visited by members of the Black Mafia. Last week [redacted] was approached on one occasion by individuals purporting to be members of the above-described organization demanding \$1,000 in protection money.

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A day or two following this, this same individual was approached again for \$500 more.

He stated that there are two men who operate this bar. These individuals are [redacted]. He stated [redacted] is a Democratic Committee worker, approximately 50 years of age, and resides in the [redacted]. He stated [redacted] resides in [redacted].

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[redacted] who in addition to owning this bar frequents the Paris Lounge located at 5th and Pike.

On February 21, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

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[redacted], who writes numbers out of his luncheonette at 57th and Wyalusing was approached, again, by the Black Mafia who demanded \$150 a week protection money. They also approached [redacted] and wanted \$700 from her. The same three people approached both of them, they are:

[redacted], a Negro male who is a close friend of [redacted]

[redacted], the [redacted]

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An unknown Negro male.

[redacted] advised that [redacted], also known as [redacted] is believed to be behind the Black Mafia in the numbers business and that [redacted] was recently seen by a friend in the home of [redacted] who lives in the vicinity of [redacted] is known to source as being a Black Mafia member.

[redacted] - has been pressured by the Black Mafia to pay them protection money.

[redacted] "put" the police on his business by telling a black cop that if he would get him and [redacted] he would get a "big piece". [redacted] is believed by source to have alerted the police because they would not pay the Black Mafia protection money.

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On February 28, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] went to [redacted] a couple of days ago and again said they wanted protection money or their numbers business. When told no, [redacted] said "They'll take it". The protection money they wanted jumped from \$150 to \$500 to \$700 weekly.

[redacted] edges his numbers work into [redacted] and every morning [redacted] comes around in his green Volkswagen to "NICKS" place at 56th and Lansdowne Streets to get the pay-off money for "hits".

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On March 25, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

The bar located at 17th and Master Streets is being pressured for protection pay-offs by the [redacted]. He stated this bar is owned by a white male, and is operated by a Negro male whose name he does not know. He stated that this Negro male is approximately 46 years of age.

He further stated that the Negro male is conducting a small scale numbers operation, which he feels takes in only a small amount of daily handle.

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[ ] further stated that various candy and variety stores on 19th, 20th and 21st Streets, just south of Allegheny Avenue, have all been pressured by the [ ] for these pay-offs.

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On March 28, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

He has heard that the following places are being extorted by the Black Mafia organization:

Cliff's Bar  
322 South 52nd Street  
Philadelphia, Pa.

[ ]  
Wyalusing Inn  
56th and Wyalusing Streets  
Philadelphia, Pa.

421 Club  
56th and Wyalusing Streets  
Philadelphia, Pa.

On March 29, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

He had recently determined another individual who had been approached by the Black Mafia for protection money. This individual is involved in numbers and it is rumored that he is paying money to the Black Mafia. [ ] stated that although he could not furnish the individual's exact name, this person [ ] and

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[ ] telephone [ ]

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On April 2, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

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During the past weekend, members of the Black Mafia went to the Hi Go Bar located at 22nd and Ridge Avenue, and spoke with the [ ] also known as [ ]. These individuals informed [ ] that they would like a cash "donation" of \$20,000 and from this point on they expect \$500 per week protection money. [ ] is a numbers man who is affiliated with [ ]

[ ] who possibly lives at [ ] or [ ] has also been approached by the Black Mafia, reasons unknown to [ ]. However, [ ] previously was in the employ of [ ] a numbers man in North Philadelphia, affiliated with [ ] and who [ ]

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It is [ ] understanding that [ ] left the employ of [ ] some time ago because of the pressure the Black Mafia was applying to him. [ ] observed the following automobile sitting in front of [ ]

A 1974 Green Cadillac Coupe de Ville bearing Pennsylvania license [ ]

On May 7, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

Black Mafia activity in Philadelphia has seemed to lessen in the recent past. Open extortion of numbers writers and drug pushers is not as open as it once was. There is a growing feeling among black numbers writers in North Philadelphia that the Black Mafia will attempt to coerce the writers and bankers to edging into a Black Mafia controlled numbers operation. The bankers know that if this happens, the Black Mafia would "welsh" on paying off hits or withhold money at their own discretion and this would lead to the ultimate demise of any given numbers banker.

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The Black Mafia has been responsible for literally killing GEORGE CROWDER, a black numbers banker in North Philadelphia. The Black Mafia stole several thousand dollars worth of checks from CROWDER approximately six or eight months ago and later recontacted CROWDER to "allow" him to buy his checks back. The deal was arranged whereupon CROWDER gave the Black Mafia \$2,000 and when he received what he thought was all of his checks, he found that less than half were given back to him. Later the Black Mafia put five bullets through the window of CROWDER's residence, when they were attempting to get CROWDER to make a regular pay-off for protection. CROWDER went into hiding and later became so sick he had to be hospitalized. CROWDER is currently in the Veterans Hospital in Philadelphia and his condition is such that he cannot talk. The Black Mafia has even visited CROWDER in the hospital in an attempt to extort money from him.

On May 10, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

He had just learned that [ ] also known as [ ] is the [ ]

[ ] a Negro male, 29 years old, 5'8", 170 pounds, clean cut, neatly dressed, medium complexion, is a Muslim and he has a younger brother who is also a Muslim. [ ]

[ ] on the north side. [ ] was involved in a bank robbery approximately three years ago and source believed Federal Agents confiscated a Grand Prix Pontiac at the time from [ ] is associated with a drug dealer known only as [ ] who operates in the vicinity of 19th and Columbia Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa. [ ] wife was found dead approximately one month ago in a death which occurred under mysterious circumstances. There is a strong suspicion that [ ]

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[ ] said that information was received that [ ] had just killed a man named GEORGE and his wife on the previous Monday, May 5, 1974. GEORGE and his wife lived on the east side of Broad Street on Columbia Avenue and they were supposed to have been killed at the residence. GEORGE was a hit man of sorts. [ ] could provide no motive for the killings.

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On May 13, 1974, [ ] advised that GEORGE CROWDER, a big time numbers man in North Philadelphia, had just died. The Black Mafia had recently put extremely heavy pressure on CROWDER to pay protection money; however, everything indicates that CROWDER refused to cooperate.

On May 15, 1974 and May 22, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] Philadelphia, Pa., has been besieged by bad luck relating to his personal and business life. On May 3, 1974, one white and three black men entered [ ] tied and blindfolded his wife, and proceeded to ransack the house for valuables. In all, the robbers took \$400 to \$500 in cash, several fur coats, and numerous other smaller items.

On May 4, 1974, [ ] was approached by one [ ] who brought the message that the Black Mafia wanted [ ] to edge numbers work into a "Black Mafia Numbers Edge House". [ ]

[ ] telephone [ ] informed [ ] to the effect that [ ] had been to see him and they (Black Mafia) are trying to get out of the tax business and wanted to get into something legal by getting into the numbers game". [ ] told [ ] he should cooperate with the Black Mafia by getting them some numbers action and avoiding anything which would cause the Black Mafia to cause trouble.

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On May 13, 1974, [ ] started doing business with the Black Mafia by getting them \$630 a week worth of numbers action. The Black Mafia pays \$600 to one in their numbers operation and as yet further details are not known regarding the Black Mafia operation.

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[ ] has been a friend of [ ] for a long time and it looks as if [ ] has agreed to work with the Black Mafia. [ ] is still believed to be involved in illegal numbers operation in which he does business in excess of a couple thousand dollars a day.

A [ ] used to [ ] [ ] however, he quit several months ago. Word on the street is that [ ] was chased by heavy Black Mafia pressure. [ ] is presently a small time numbers banker.

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[ ] problems were compounded by the death of a close friend, GEORGE CROWDER, who died in Veteran's Hospital, Philadelphia, on or about May 6, 1974. CROWDER was a long time numbers writer who was put out of business by Black Mafia pressure.

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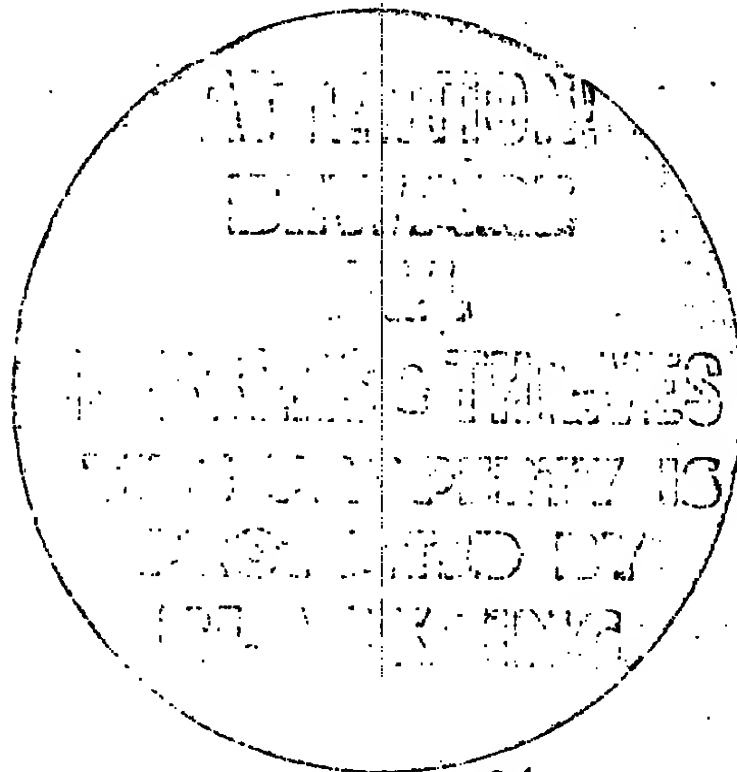
[ ] was visited on May 18, 1974, by three Black Mafia members. These people entered [ ] at 17th and Venango Streets and talked to [ ] about the Black Mafia's dissatisfaction with his participation in their numbers operation. The three individuals who visited [ ] used the name [ ]. Although the Black Mafia people told [ ] they were highly dissatisfied with his participation in giving the Black Mafia numbers work, the source stated he was unaware of any additional pressure put on [ ] to turn over more money.

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The following page reflects copies of two types of decals distributed by the Black Mafia to those persons or businesses paying for protection:

**ATTENTION!**

**BEWARE ALL ROBBERS and  
THIEVES THIS PROPERTY  
IS PROTECTED BY  
BLACK INC.**



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B. MISCELLANEOUS AND NARCOTICS CRIMINAL MATTERS

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On October 24, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] also known as [ ] a member of Black Incorporated, and presently living with a girl friend at [ ] is responsible for bringing money to [ ] in Florida. [ ] advised he does not know where in Florida [ ] is taking the money. He believes [ ] flies there with this money. [ ] in Black Incorporated, is a Negro male, 5' 10" tall, 175 pounds, 24 - 25 years old, medium Afro.

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On October 25, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] also known as [ ] is possibly connected with some of the Black Mafia. [ ] was present at the 500 Club in Atlantic City, N. J., when a man named PALMER was gunned down. [ ] is described as a Negro male, 5' 6" tall, thin gray hair. [ ] has a green 1974 Cadillac and always carries a .38 caliber. [ ] has served at least 10 years in jail for armed robbery.

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[ ] constantly speaks as though he is closely associated with [ ] and [ ] and [ ]. He believes that [ ] is also involved in some way in loan sharking activities, although he advised that he has no proof of this at this time.

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On November 12, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

One of the main members of the organization he described as the Black Mafia is [ ]. It is [ ] who receives the \$700 weekly payment from him in order that he may be able to operate his numbers business in the black area of South Philadelphia. He continues to make this payment at the Bombay Lounge every Saturday afternoon. As a result of making this payment, he stated neither he nor any of his writers have been bothered.

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Another Philadelphia numbers banker, [ ] who refused to pay this tribute to the Black Mafia, has discontinued doing business in the South Street area.

[ ] now confines himself strictly to the older white section of South Philadelphia.

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[ ] also stated that he learned the Black Mafia meets very late at nights on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays at a place called Knights of Service, 16th and South Streets. These meetings are held between 1:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. in the Knights of Service Club. Further, this same club is also used as a numbers office by the Black Mafia during the day.

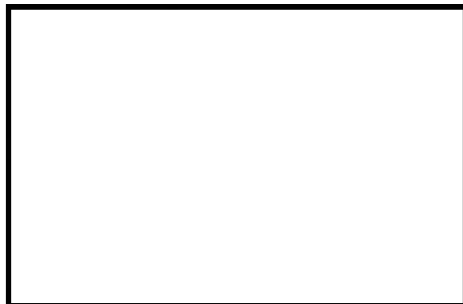
On November 20, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

On the evening of November 16, 1973, [ ] was at Schoolboy's Lounge, 56th and Whitby Streets. Two Negro males, who he could not identify, stood beside [ ] at all times. While [ ] was there, he spoke at great length with [ ] the reputed leader of the Black Mafia, in the absence of [ ] left town for the funeral of FREDERICK 5X DAVIS, supposedly one of [ ] It was believed [ ] left town early because DAVIS was not buried, due to a mix-up in an insurance policy.

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[ ] advised that [ ] appeared to weigh over 200 pounds, and no longer wears a mustache. He further described [ ] appearance as being similar to a 1972 mug shot shown to him.

The following individuals were present at Schoolboy's Lounge on the evening of November 16, 1973:



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On November 29, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

He had seen [redacted] in the South Philadelphia area in the past week and that he was back at the Rand Street address. He further advised that subject was driving a 1972 four-door, black, Buick [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] was a close friend of MAJOR COXSON and figured in with COXSON's narcotics operations. Source contends that [redacted] was the person who set up COXSON.

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[redacted] While [redacted] is currently in charge of the Philadelphia Black Mafia, [redacted] holds a position above [redacted] can override [redacted] and is in frequent contact with [redacted] is frequently out of the Philadelphia area.

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On December 6, 1974, [redacted] furnished the following information regarding [redacted] and their "Black Mafia" associates:

He stated that [redacted] is a very important figure in the "Black Mafia". [redacted] contacted him approximately a week ago regarding a car which had been impounded by the police at an unknown location in New Jersey. The source took no action regarding the automobile. He has known [redacted] for a number of years and that he has seen [redacted] on several occasions, the latest of which was this past summer in South Philadelphia, in [redacted] goes with a [redacted]

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[redacted] phone number [redacted]  
[redacted] is 19 or 20 years old and was arrested on the weekend of December 2, 1973, by the Philadelphia Police Department on a [redacted]  
[redacted] usually drives an old Dodge automobile and has a Doberman pinscher in the car with him most of the time. [redacted] is the individual in the "Black Mafia" who supplies a great number of guns for the group.

CALVIN TILGHMAN, SR., 1110 West Master Street, is still in contact with [redacted] The source knows this

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inasmuch as he has been contacted by [ ] regarding some money that TILGHMAN owes him. CALVIN TILGHMAN, SR.'s home phone number is 684-2932. His working phone number is 607-2131.

He believes [ ] is living primarily in the state of Virginia. [ ] is a girl friend of [ ] and she continues to go see him on a regular basis.

[ ] At one point, he was told by [ ] was going to Virginia to visit [ ]

[ ] also approached [ ] regarding a house he owns in Germantown with the hopes that [ ]

[ ] This transaction regarding the house never took place. [ ]

[ ] who also use the last name [ ]

[ ] who resides at [ ]  
[ ] phone number [ ]

[ ] holds a very high position in the "Black Mafia" organization at the present time.

[ ] has a girl friend named [ ] who is using this house to hide narcotics and also used as a carrier to take things to and from [ ]

[ ] who drives a white over red Cadillac, is a very big individual with the "Black Mafia". [ ] has [ ]

[ ] but [ ] is by far the more important figure of the brothers. He lives on [ ] and has phone number [ ]

[ ] He can usually be found at a bar in the early morning at 20th and Carpenter Streets.

The "Black Mafia" organization meets between 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. at the Community Center, 20th and Pemberton Streets, each morning. Profits are collected from members and assignments are given out at this time. This meeting takes place in a large room with two pool tables inside the Community Center. The automobiles of the members can usually be seen parked on the street nearby. This meeting involves not only important figures in the "Black Mafia" but also more minor figures.

[ ] also known as [ ] lives in Mount Airy and is another very prominent figure in the "Black Mafia".

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His phone number is [redacted] He lives with a girl named [redacted]  
[redacted] Also living in the same house is a girl named [redacted]

[redacted] " is being  
extorted by the "Black Mafia" for \$300 per month. He is  
being muscled by [redacted] who are  
important persons in the "Black Mafia". The "Black Mafia"  
is also extorting the gambling organization of [redacted]  
[redacted] is paying off.

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[redacted] said the following phone numbers are for  
[redacted] The numbers are: [redacted] and  
[redacted]

On December 12, 1973, [redacted] advised as follows:

The forerunners to the present Black Mafia consisted  
of men such as [redacted]  
[redacted] WALTER BOATWRIGHT, (killed in  
August of 1972), and [redacted]

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These men were not involved in gambling and drug  
traffic to the extent that the present Black Mafia is involved.  
The group of people mentioned above had no formal name such  
as Black Incorporated or Black Mafia; also, this group did  
not engage in extortion of legitimate businessmen or numbers  
writers and bankers.

[redacted] advised that WALTER BOATWRIGHT, killed in  
August, 1972, was the result of an argument between [redacted]  
[redacted] and ROBERT SWENT. During the argument, [redacted] and  
[redacted] stepped in to break up the fight and during the  
scuffle ROBERT SWENT was killed by [redacted] Later, WALTER  
BOATWRIGHT was killed by [redacted]  
[redacted] because BOATWRIGHT told [redacted] that he had killed  
BOBBY SWENT in the scuffle and that [redacted] had not fired  
the gun.

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[redacted] advised that today [redacted] is driving a  
Grand Prix and hangs around 20th and Ellsworth Streets,  
Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted] is a [redacted]  
[redacted] is a numbers writer in  
South Philadelphia. [redacted] are

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[redacted] The following women  
were close associates of the group mentioned above and are

presently heavily involved with the Black Mafia members today. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She is a [REDACTED]

who resides at [REDACTED] is a drug pusher and shoplifter and is a close associate of several of the Black Mafia members.

[REDACTED] a close associate of many Black Mafia members is presently residing in a drug treatment center in Eagleville, Pa., which is a small community near Lansdale. [REDACTED] a Black Mafia member, is probably hiding in Baltimore. [REDACTED] was closely tied to a group of heroin dealers in Baltimore when he was pushing drugs in Philadelphia.

The following individuals continue to be leaders of the Black Mafia movement in Philadelphia:



The following individuals are pushing heroin and cocaine in South Philadelphia. They are working for one of three Black Mafia members. The members are [REDACTED] [REDACTED] can be found in the 20th and Reed Streets area and frequents Tillman Turf. [REDACTED] also pushes in the 20th and Reed Streets vicinity. [REDACTED] stores his heroin at 20th and Garrett Streets in a house which is located on the west side of the street across from the Club Progressive. The [REDACTED] drives a 1970 black over white Cadillac convertible. [REDACTED] also pushes heroin in the 20th and Reed Streets vicinity. [REDACTED] stores her heroin at her house located [REDACTED] and hangs out at Tillmans. [REDACTED] pushes in the vicinity of 20th and Reed Streets, [REDACTED] in [REDACTED]

drugs are stored in this house. [redacted] is a [redacted] is a cocaine and bundle saleswoman. She may work for [redacted] rather than one of the above-mentioned Black Mafia members.

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[redacted] identified the following individuals as Lower Echelon Black Mafia members:



[redacted] advised that [redacted] and [redacted] were recently shot by a white man from the front seat of a car. [redacted] was hit once in the arm and once in the leg, but has been discharged from the hospital. Source advised that cars belonging to [redacted] were recently blown up.

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On December 27, 1973, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] is a member of the Black Mafia and is the [redacted] sells "Coke" and "Monster" in the vicinity of 20th and Reed, 21st and Dickinson, and 23rd and Dickinson.

[redacted] is presently incarcerated in Lewisburg Prison.

[redacted] known as [redacted] was formerly involved in illegal activities, but has gone straight. He advised that [redacted] works for the State of Pennsylvania Parole Board, located at 52nd and Cedar Streets, Philadelphia, Pa.

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FBI fugitive, [redacted] is a close associate of [redacted] advised that another close associate of [redacted] resides in the [redacted]

[redacted]  
is described as age 26, height 5' 10" tall, weight 190 pounds, race Negro, with a light complexion. [redacted] is described as a narcotics dealer who hangs around [redacted] and Dickinson, 20th and Ellsworth, and 20th and Federal Streets.

[redacted] is the brother of [redacted]

[redacted], known as [redacted], "resides with [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] is a [redacted]  
[redacted] hangs around the vicinity of 60th and Pine Streets and drives a 1973 El Dorado with a white vinyl top and a green body.

The Black Mafia is becoming politically active in the city and has been putting pressure on people in the street and at polling places to vote for the people that will listen to the dictates of the upper echelon Black Mafia members.

[redacted] who are lawyers in Philadelphia are in some way connected with the Black Mafia, specifically in the field of narcotics. [redacted] resides [redacted]  
[redacted]

The Story Book located at 18th and Morris Streets has become one of the main meeting places for the Black Mafia.

The Black Mafia is presently in conflict with the 20th and Carpenter Streets gang headed by [redacted] Black Mafia members [redacted] and [redacted] have attempted to get [redacted] to do some of the dirty work for the Black Mafia. [redacted] has resisted these attempts and, therefore, a fight has developed between the two groups. This fight was evidenced by the blowing up of several cars and bodily harm to several of the Black Mafia members and a couple of the 20th and Carpenter Streets gang members.

On December 27, 1973, [redacted] advised as follows:

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He heard that a woman named [redacted] (last name unknown - LNU), who resides at either [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa., recently had her 1973 - 1974 Ford Thunderbird firebombed by members of Black Mafia because [redacted]

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[redacted] had a problem with [redacted] [redacted] He stated that three or four Negro males went to this woman's home during the early morning hours approximately one month ago and when they could not find her son, firebombed her car, which was totally destroyed.

The firebombing was in retaliation for the firebombing of a Black Incorporated front in South Philadelphia recently. One of the [redacted] is marrying a member of this woman's family, and because of her knowledge of activities of the [redacted] she went to see [redacted]

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[redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted] told this woman that the Black Mafia wants her son, and that if she did not produce him shortly, her house would be next. This woman has not stayed at her home since this incident and has been staying at various motels in Philadelphia. This woman's full identity could easily be ascertained as she is an [redacted]

[redacted] stated he recently spoke with a Negro male he knows as [redacted] whose real name is [redacted] (LNU). [redacted] was arrested recently with two other Negro males [redacted]

[redacted] had gone to this house looking for a Negro male who fell out of a favor with the Black Mafia and ended up raping a Negro female found residing there. [redacted] recently told him that he and [redacted] are now involved with the narcotic trafficking in South Philadelphia for the Black Mafia, and that [redacted] and others are involved with extorting money from business owners in South Philadelphia. [redacted] is now shaking down the white business owners in South Philadelphia, as well as the shaking down of all Black numbers writers. For example, [redacted] stated [redacted] told him recently at the Bombay that he is presently paying \$1,700 weekly to the Black Mafia to continue his numbers operation and told him [redacted] is the main man he pays to. [redacted] recently shook down a white male named [redacted] who [redacted]

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[redacted] Philadelphia, telling him that he

has to pay a percentage of his gross to the Black Mafia for protection or his place would be burned. [ ] stated [ ] told him that by paying, [ ] stated he would be protected by Muslims.

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[ ] stated that [ ] would be operating in West Philadelphia attempting to begin a takeover of narcotic trafficking in West Philadelphia. [ ] bragged that he and [ ] will be very successful in drugs in West Philadelphia and would soon take over all trafficking. [ ] told [ ] that the Black Mafia took over the operation of a bar approximately two months ago and advised that this bar is the new meeting place for the Black Mafia. [ ] was unsure of whether this bar was on the corner of 11th and Venango or 12th and Venango or on Venango between 11th and 12th Streets, and stated that the Black Mafia "big shots" are the only ones who have been by this bar since the Black Mafia took over its operation. [ ] and is very close to [ ] and [ ] are very big in the Black Mafia and apparently hold some sort of leadership position.

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[ ] stated that when [ ] robbed the apartment of the [ ] and then robbed [ ] and humiliated him in front of his family last year, [ ] went to [ ] who is close to [ ] and asked for advice in having a contract issued for [ ] [ ] who told [ ] he would have the contract for [ ] issued. A meeting was set up at an unknown restaurant on Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, but [ ] did not show up. [ ] had brought [ ] with him and told [ ] would handle the contract on [ ] When [ ] failed to show for this meeting, [ ] went to The Pot of Gold Bar, which [ ] was connected with at 4th and Queen Streets, South Philadelphia, and when [ ] backed out of requesting the hit on [ ] [ ] demanded \$500 for his time, which [ ] promptly paid him. [ ] stated he did not know of [ ] in the Black Mafia, but felt he must be in a high position if he brought [ ] to handle the contract for [ ] [ ] would normally be found at Neets' Bar, 52nd and Market Streets, West Philadelphia, but stated they may now be located at this new bar on Venango Street in North Philadelphia.

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[redacted] stated that he has heard [redacted] is in Philadelphia, but knows of no exact address where he may be located. He stated that [redacted] whom he knows as [redacted] usually drinks in his place and has had [redacted] on several recent occasions. He stated [redacted] came into his bar a few weeks ago looking for her mother, but he failed to engage her in any conversation as [redacted] stated she was in a great hurry. [redacted] told him that [redacted] recently moved to West Philadelphia, exact address unknown, and that [redacted] was working at the Black Community Center, 4th and Queen Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. He believes this center is located on 4th Street, between Catherine and Queen Streets, South Philadelphia.

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On December 28, 1973, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] has several relatives in Philadelphia. [redacted] also known as [redacted] a member of the Black Mafia, on the [redacted] also [redacted] live on the [redacted] father usually frequents the bars at 27th and Manton Streets and 20th and Federal Streets.

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If subject were to attempt to contact [redacted] he would probably go through [redacted] or one of [redacted] but he would never contact [redacted] [redacted] also felt that [redacted] may attempt to contact [redacted] Captain of the FOI, in the Nation of Islam.

He also advised that of the members of the Black Mafia, [redacted] would most likely contact [redacted] [redacted] He felt that [redacted] would use [redacted] 1972 blue Cadillac with a white top if he needed transportation.

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On January 4, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] was shot while at a house on the corner of 18th and Cumberland, across from Ernie Kelly's Bar. After being shot, [redacted] grabbed the assailant's gun hand, jumped out a nearby window, and escaped.

[ ] identified the assailant as [ ] who is also the same person that killed TOMMIE FARINGTON.

[ ] also advised that [ ] is being pressured by [ ] not to testify in a kidnaping and extortion attempt against [ ] which is coming to trial shortly. [ ] feels that [ ] will not testify.

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On January 15, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

The Philadelphia Police Department stopped [ ] "whose real name is [ ] for questioning. [ ] told police that he was no longer in the narcotics business now that he was a Muslim. However, [ ] allegedly was very well dressed with \$200 shoes and \$350 suit on, and approximately \$2,500 cash on his person. He did not explain to the police where he got the money.

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[ ] has a sister whose name is unknown to [ ] however, allegedly [ ] persuaded the sister's boy friend to sell drugs for him. The sister and the boy friend were living at [ ] The boy friend came up short on the money for the drugs and was "hit". He died two days later.

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On January 15, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] stated that [ ] the former Dee-Jay, is one of the bookkeepers for the Black Incorporated or Black Mafia. Their attorneys are [ ]

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On January 23, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] was shot and seriously wounded from a shotgun blast during the evening hours of January 22, 1974. The person shooting [ ] is unknown to him at this point but was a boy friend of one of [ ] He said he will attempt to determine if the person responsible might be [ ] He had learned through [ ] that [ ] was attempting to have [ ] break all ties with [ ] is presently at the Episcopal Hospital, 38th and Powelton Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Additionally, [ ] advised that [ ] whom he identified as [ ] spoke to him recently and told him that he is recovering from a bullet wound in the chest. He was surprised to hear [ ] had been shot as he was not aware of any shooting regarding [ ] told him that he was shot Thursday, January 17, 1974, at Broad and Mifflin Streets, Philadelphia, and is presently recuperating in Room 555, Saint Agnes Hospital, Mifflin and McKean Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. [ ] would not reveal the identity of the person who shot him, stating that he would take care of things himself. [ ] told [ ] things were going to get "hot" on the streets soon but did not elaborate.

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He spoke with [ ] last week at which time [ ] related that the "grass" business was good, especially in West Philadelphia.

On January 30, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

He has seen [ ] and [ ]. They are trying to get some type of business started in [ ] old place. If [ ] and [ ] are involved in any kind of a business, it is bound to be illegal without a doubt. [ ] now professes to be a Black Muslim. He has cut his hair and now talks the Muslim talk.

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The murder which occurred early in January of JOHN MC CELLAN, 21, white male, 200 Sampson Street, at the Intowner Hotel on North Broad Street, was set up by [ ] [ ] Negro female. She has connections with the Black Mafia due to the fact she is a girl friend of one of the members.

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It has been a long-standing operation for con men to lure white and black men to motels and hotels with promises of sex and/or narcotics, and then rob them. Sometimes, however, the men catch on to what is going down, and there is violence of the type that happened to MC CELLAN.

[ ] only a figurehead as far as Black Mafia is concerned. They only use Muslims for their connections and for protection when needed. Also, it benefits [ ] in

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b7C that he is not responsible for the Black Maria members who are arrested for various heinous crimes, but he still receives the money from the various illegal activities. Since there is no accounting for the money, who is to know how much [ ] really gets.

On February 1, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] Black Incorporated obtains all of its drugs from [ ] and [ ]. He described [ ] as a "gorilla" for various gangs. He also said [ ] was arrested for murder in New York City and served some time. Since his release from New York City, [ ] has become a "big shot" in the Philadelphia area.

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On February 4, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

A kilogram of pure heroin was brought from New York to Philadelphia either on February 1, 1974, or February 2, 1974, and it was to be cut in one of the Holiday Inns located in center city. The shipment was to be picked up by [ ] also known as [ ], and [ ]

[ ] stuck-up the supplier from New York. They advised the supplier that they would continue to take his shipments if he did not pay a percentage to the Black Mafia.

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[ ] also known as [ ] was robbed of a supply of narcotics on February 1, 1974, or February 2, 1974. He stated that [ ] lost 125 pounds of marijuana and \$5,000 worth of cocaine. This supply was part of a shipment which [ ] had gotten in from Jamaica and Florida. [ ] has been asking a lot of questions in an effort to determine who took the shipment.

On February 15, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] telling him [ ] is [ ] also known as [ ] [ ] at the Bradewind Bar, Old York Road and Morningside Road. He learned that [ ]

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is collecting Black Mafia protection money from the manager, [redacted]. Reportedly [redacted] has just begun paying, and [redacted] stops there each night in order to show people that he is taking care of the Tradewind. There are two apartments upstairs of the bar, one occupied by a barmaid named [redacted]. He has seen several drug users and pushers being taken upstairs and learned that drugs are sold and injected upstairs. He does not know if [redacted] runs the drug traffic upstairs but is sure he is aware of it.

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[redacted] has been driving alone in a 1970 gray Cadillac Coupe De Ville, and carries a pistol which he openly displays on the front arm rest. A frequent current associate of [redacted]

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On February 20, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted], who had just recently gotten out of jail, is a Black Mafia member in the South Philadelphia area. [redacted] is locked up in drug traffic and has been involved with a group obtaining drugs from Bangkok, Thailand, using the mails. [redacted] believes that about four of these individuals were arrested in Washington, D. C., recently concerning this scheme. [redacted] was noted as a jail-house murderer during the time he was in jail for murder. An individual from South Philadelphia, whom he knows only as [redacted], very recently was given a contract for a hit. He got this from talking with [redacted] and with [redacted] who are both possibly involved in a killing in West Philadelphia of an individual by the name of [redacted] which occurred in November, 1973, or December, 1973. He believes that both [redacted] and [redacted] were called in for questioning by the police and has since heard them talk about this killing as if they knew something or had been involved in it. [redacted] knows [redacted] to be a Black Mafia member in South Philadelphia.

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On February 20, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

Members of the Black Mafia are still discussing protection of [redacted] the extent that he chooses to attend

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the Savior's Day celebration of the NOI in Chicago on February 26, 1974. He could not be certain that [redacted] would attend, and has no definite indication of attendance for [redacted] from any members of the Black Mafia, who are close to [redacted]. He stated the Black Mafia is sending [redacted] also known as [redacted] and [redacted] to Chicago on February 24, 1974, to make arrangements in the event [redacted] shows up. He stated that the NOI owns an [redacted] between [redacted] Chicago, and that [redacted] may stay there. The Savior's Day celebration will be held at the Richard L. Jones Armory on 53rd and Cottage Grove Avenue, and arrangements have also been made to protect [redacted] at this location. [redacted] will make the final security arrangements, but it is understood that several Black Mafia members will be armed and standing guard outside the armory. Other Black Mafia members, who will be armed, will accompany [redacted] inside the armory. [redacted] further advised that [redacted] is now referred to as "THE BROTHER" or the "TOP SOLDIER".

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On February 21, 1974, [redacted] (reliable), advised as follows:

A man named "BO" [redacted] was murdered on February 20, 1974. [redacted] and a man named [redacted] were partners in the Black Velvet Bar, 21st and [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. Source also advised that [redacted] was [redacted] a store on Lincoln Drive, in Germantown, Philadelphia. Source believes that the bar and the store were [redacted] [redacted]

On February 20, 1974, [redacted] and [redacted] were approached by [redacted] [redacted] to pay a flat sum for [redacted] [redacted] money was paid by [redacted] [redacted] further [redacted] [redacted] were involved in the [redacted] of [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted] are all members of the Black Mafia).

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On February 11, 1974, [redacted] telephonically contacted [redacted] Homicide

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Division, Philadelphia Police Department, for the purpose of discussing the murder of GEORGE "BO" ABNEY. [redacted] stated that the killing was narcotics related and that the Police Department felt that the Black Mafia was responsible. He advised that it was also his feeling that ABNEY's murder was a warning to [redacted] and her narcotics dealer. He further advised that the information furnished by the FBI on November 7, 1973, concerning a contract on ABNEY's life appeared to be accurate. [redacted] advised that [redacted] told the Police Department that the contract on "BO" had been discontinued in December, 1973. [redacted] stated that it was the Police Department's feeling that ABNEY was killed by [redacted] and [redacted], also known as [redacted].

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[redacted] further advised that [redacted] North Central Detectives, telephone number [redacted], had been in contact with him and advised that a reliable source saw [redacted] also known as [redacted] Philadelphia Police Department (PPD), Number [redacted].

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[redacted] also known as [redacted] together on the evening of January 19, 1974. [redacted] source further advised that the above individuals met at [redacted] a house belonging to [redacted].

On February 25, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

He knows [redacted] and his cousin, [redacted] from his contact with black gamblers in South Philadelphia.

[redacted] was a [redacted] who was killed in a gunfight at the Club Harlem in Atlantic City about two years ago. The information developed by [redacted] indicates that [redacted] set up his former boss, [redacted] "for the hit".

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Another "big man" in the black area in South Philadelphia is [redacted] a gambler who lives in the [redacted] contends that [redacted] is one of the biggest black men in Philadelphia. [redacted] is about 30 years of age, big and muscular, light complexion, and hangs out at the Story Book Bar at 24th and Dickinson Streets. This bar was formerly owned by black

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gambler. [ ] was also a former bodyguard for [ ] and was also a party to setting up [ ] to be killed. [ ] is a close associate of [ ]

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During January, 1974, [ ] put pressure on an unknown black numbers writer in the vicinity of 42nd and Lancaster Avenue and demanded a piece of the business. [ ] did not ask for a weekly payment but actually wanted a partnership in the operation for the Black Mafia.

On February 25, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

Two young Black Mafia types, [ ] and [ ] have been very prominent out in the 52nd and Market Streets area. They are the main people extorting money in the area.

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The Friendship Club or the "44th Ward" was firebombed early in January of 1974. Allegedly, they did not pay off to the Black Mafia.

[ ] also known as [ ] is the man in Black Incorporated who is getting them weapons, and ammunition. Allegedly, [ ] lives at [ ] Philadelphia, Pa. It is also street talk that [ ] has been able to get explosives for Black Mafia.

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[ ] heard that most of leadership of the Black Mafia will be going to Chicago for Founder's Day, February 26, 1974. This includes [ ] if he is out of the hospital.

On February 26, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

He knows a [ ] true name [ ] The photo of [ ] PIP member [ ] is identical with the "W.C.M." he knows. This same [ ] is a long-time friend of [ ] also known as [ ], a well known Black Mafia extortionist. They grew up together in a gang around 16th and Diamond streets. [ ] is a bank robber who went to prison for it and has recently been released. Another associate of [ ] is [ ] also known as [ ]

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On February 28, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] Philadelphia, Pa., and is believed to be a finger man for the Black Mafia. By this, he mentioned that [ ] is the individual who tells the Black Mafia who is engaged in illegal activities in the respective neighborhoods. This is the way the Black Mafia is always aware of the activities of individuals they approach for protection money. [ ] may be collaborating with the Black Mafia for whatever rewards can be reaped or he may be cooperating because of pressures brought on him by the Black Mafia.

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Members of the Black Mafia have been active in attempting to extort money from several individuals in the North Philadelphia area. Generally, Black Mafia members approach a selected target and request that a contribution be made to the Muslim Mosque. The Black Mafia members claim they are representing Black Incorporated, and promise that they are attempting to clean up the drug traffic, stop gang warfare, and other ways of improving living conditions for the black community.

[ ] ident. filed [ ] also known as [ ] as an individual who is an enforcer-recruiter for the Black Mafia. [ ] usually hangs out at [ ] Gary Parce Bar.

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[ ] identified a photograph of [ ] also known as [ ] as an individual who was seen at the Seafarer Bar, Broad and Olney Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., approximately four months ago. At that time, [ ] was pointed out as being one of the main leaders of the Black Mafia.

[ ] an individual known only as [ ] who [ ] a teppoon, in the vicinity of Stanton Avenue, Philadelphia, was approached approximately two months ago by the Black Mafia. [ ] individual known as [ ] a black number [ ] the Olney section of Philadelphia, was robbed by the Black Mafia several months ago.

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On March 3, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

A Black Mafia member named [ ] had been shaking down BO ABNEY for several months before ABNEY was murdered. [ ] got \$190,000 out of several safe-deposit boxes that he had in the Philadelphia area. Shortly before ABNEY was killed, he had purchased a \$12,000 T-bird for his girl friend. He believes ABNEY was killed because of a dispute involving the sale of drugs. ABNEY had operated the Blue Velvet Bar.

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[ ] Philadelphia, Pa., is a large drug pusher in Philadelphia. [ ] drives a 1973 El Dorado bearing Pennsylvania Plate [ ]

[ ] Philadelphia, Pa., is another major drug dealer in Philadelphia. [ ] advised that [ ] is a close associate of Black Mafia member, [ ]. He believes that [ ] is closely connected with the Black Mafia Movement in Philadelphia.

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On March 6, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

He recently learned that drug dealer, [ ] true name [ ] (LNU), recently bought a store at 22nd and Jefferson Streets in North Central Philadelphia, Pa. From this store he is dealing in hard narcotics, including heroin and cocaine. [ ] is now an alleged Muslim although, in fact, he is not an Orthodox Muslim, but instead a member of the Black Mafia. His store bears a Black Muslim appearance and sells Muslim bean pies.

Source further advised that he has learned that [ ] knows the details of the decapitation of drug dealer, [ ]. PH 1-11 has previously reported that ABNEY and [ ] did business together in the drug trade.

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On March 15, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] operates his bar at 18th and Cumberland Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. An individual closely associated with the Black Mafia, [ ]

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also known as [ ] is closely aligned with [ ] [ ] can be found on a daily basis in either KELLY's bar at 18th and Cumberland or at the other bar, Barry's Den, which is located at 18th and Dauphin Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. Information on the street has it that Barry's Den will be turned over to [ ]

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The latest wrinkle in the operation of the Black Mafia has been the adoption of ski masks in carrying out their activities. [ ] owns many ski masks and it is more or less assumed that the Black Mafia will start using the ski masks when they approach bar owners, numbers writers, drug pushers, for protection money.

[ ] who seems to control all of the Black Mafia activities in North Philadelphia, drives a steel gray 1970 Cadillac Coupe, with a black vinyl top. The car has a red accent stripe on the side.

On March 18, 1974, [ ] advised as follows regarding his knowledge of the Black Mafia organization and, in particular, the associates and whereabouts of [ ]

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He last saw [ ] in late July or early August at 20th and Reed Streets. At that time, [ ] was not a fugitive. [ ] has a girl friend named [ ] who used to live in the projects at [ ] She has a [ ] Philadelphia, Pa. [ ] makes periodic trips to visit [ ] who is outside the Philadelphia area. [ ] is very close friends with [ ] maiden name [ ] Philadelphia. [ ] who was a Black Mafia member at the time the organization was formed and is now in prison. [ ] frequently has information pertaining to [ ] because [ ] confides in her as a friend.

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Up until the time former Top Ten [ ] was arrested in December, [ ] made very

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few, if any, trips to Philadelphia. However, after [redacted] arrest, he was told on between three to five occasions that [redacted] was in Philadelphia on a weekend. [redacted] traveled to see [redacted] before that time by some means of public transportation. When she traveled, the trip took her two nights and one day. She did not take an airplane, but the source did not know what mode of public transportation she took. [redacted] trips to Philadelphia appeared to coincide with large deliveries of narcotics which are being handled for the Black Mafia through [redacted] handles the narcotics for the entire operation, (Black Mafia). The narcotics come from California via Cleveland, Ohio, and when a large consignment came to town, [redacted] would make an appearance at the time that the narcotics were being delivered and parceled among the Black Mafia organization. [redacted] advised that he believes that [redacted] had to become more deeply involved in the operation of the group and make appearances in Philadelphia after December because [redacted] was no longer available to oversee the narcotics transaction, and he [redacted] had to come to Philadelphia personally to watch out for his interest in the money and narcotics when a large delivery was made. [redacted] used to be in the organization of [redacted], who was one of the biggest suppliers of narcotics in the Philadelphia area. However, [redacted] was arrested in California, and after that time, [redacted] became the dominant narcotics supplier for the Black Mafia in Philadelphia.

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On March 21, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] used to work for [redacted] who is presently doing time on a Federal narcotics violation. [redacted] was involved in drug trafficking with [redacted] and that he and [redacted] are very friendly. [redacted] stated he was not surprised when he read that [redacted] was arrested with [redacted] on 3/7/74.

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A few days before the arrest of [redacted] [redacted] told him that "things were getting tight" in Philadelphia, and that the FBI knew of everyone's involvement with the Black Mafia. [redacted] told him that he was seriously thinking of getting out of the Black Mafia and begin running high stakes crap games again. [redacted] was some of the best high stakes

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crap games in South Philadelphia a few years ago and that [redacted] told him he would again run these games if he could break his connection with the Black Mafia. [redacted] truly fears [redacted] Black Mafia enforcer, and fears [redacted] would kill him if he tried to back out.

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[redacted], advised him that the man found a while back in North Philadelphia with his head cut off was killed by unknown members of the Black Mafia over some kind of a narcotics deal.

[redacted] is supposed to have left Philadelphia as he is alleged to have taken some money from the Black Mafia which was not his. [redacted] and [redacted] are still pressing merchants for a percentage of their income in order to stay in business.

On March 27, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] also known as [redacted] was arrested on the previous Monday when he shot at a passing automobile, in the area of 22nd and Jefferson Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted] was locked up on the basis of the testimony of one unknown witness. [redacted] henchmen are trying to find out the address and/or location of the witness in order to kill him.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] and his men are the individuals responsible for the recent killing of BOW BENEY, who was beheaded in North Philadelphia within the last month.

[redacted] further advised that on late Saturday night or early Sunday morning, an individual by the name of LEM MORRIS, also known as MOOSE, was murdered and his body was found by police in a burning automobile in the vicinity of Jefferson Street. MORRIS was shot five times, placed in a clothing trunk, and then placed in the trunk of an automobile, which was then set on fire to disguise the cause of death. MORRIS worked for [redacted] and it was [redacted] and his men who killed LEM MORRIS.

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[redacted] furnished Pennsylvania License [redacted] as the tag on [redacted] car, which is a black convertible, El Dorado, which has a red streak.

On March 26, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] goes to the A and T Tradewind Bar on a nightly basis. [ ] whose last name is [ ] allegedly sells narcotics on the second floor. The bar is located on the corner of Old York Road and Venango.

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[ ] also known as [ ] had a hearing at the 18th Police Precinct on the charge of shooting [ ]. The hearing took place on March 28, 1974. [ ] had made arrangements with the Philadelphia Police Department to have [ ] delivered or escorted to the hearing and back home because the Black Mafia was trying to kill him.

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Both [ ] have been demoted within the Black Mafia organization because of their apparent failure to fulfill the contract on [ ]. [ ] appears to be the leader of the organization at this point. [ ] allegedly was pistol-whipped sometime last week by two Black Muslims whose identities are unknown to [ ]. The same two men also allegedly shot and wounded [ ] also known as [ ].

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[ ] has been calling [ ] in an effort to persuade her to set up a meeting with [ ] and the Black Mafia. This is only an attempt by the Black Mafia organization to get [ ] to come out of hiding so that they can kill him. If [ ] do not fulfill the contract, then they themselves may be killed by the organization. The only thing that is stopping the Black Mafia organization from taking over all of the street gangs and preventing their wide open extortion and shakedown racket in South Philadelphia is the 20th and Carpenter Streets gang of which [ ] is the leader.

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LEM MORRIS, a 40 year old male, found murdered in an automobile that had been set afire on March 23, 1974, was a former Black Muslim, who had started pushing drugs in a big way. He allegedly had been shot five times after his hands had been tied behind him. Black Mafia members, according

to [ ] have been trying to persuade MORRIS to "give up his connection" for about two months. He had continued to sell drugs while attempting to evade Black Mafia members. Last Saturday they finally caught up with MORRIS.

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A Negro male known only as [ ] recently shot and killed a drug dealer in South Philadelphia. The killing was allegedly done with a .45 caliber automatic. The victim was shot once in the chest and once while laying on the ground. The Black Mafia is attempting to acquire blasting caps and dynamite as well as hand grenades in order to do battle with the 20th and Carpenter Streets gang.

[ ] also known as [ ] has been put out of the Black Mafia because of a missing \$1,300 donation. [ ] \$1,300 which he was to deliver to [ ]. Somehow or other the money never was received by [ ] and an investigation ensued. Neither [ ] nor [ ] were able to show that they actually gave the money to [ ] because they forgot to get a receipt so the Black Mafia organization has decided not to deal with [ ] any more. [ ] alleged that [ ] now is heavy on drugs and that the money may have gone to support his newly acquired habit.

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The Black Mafia is now getting \$2,000 a week from a white numbers banker in South Philadelphia. However, because of the number of Black Mafia members presently on the run, in jail, or presently in trial, it has been a large strain on their treasury.

The Black Mafia organization is still looking for [ ] in order to teach him a lesson for cooperating with the FBI in relation to [ ]. They allegedly have placed a contract on [ ]'s head and any member can collect. This is an open contract in the amount of \$5,000. They have members watching his bar located at 6301 Wister Street, Philadelphia, Pa., and his apartment at [ ] Philadelphia, Pa.

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There is a continuing drug call in Philadelphia between the Black Mafia and independent drug dealers. When

[redacted] was arrested by the Philadelphia Police Department on March 25, 1974, for shooting at an auto, the man he was trying to kill was [redacted] whose real name is [redacted], is one of the biggest drug dealers in the black concentrated areas in Philadelphia, Pa. Several of [redacted] have been hit or killed during the last few months. [redacted] organization is now striking back. More killings are in the offering because of the continuing struggle. LEM MORRIS was at one time connected with [redacted] in his drug operation.

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[redacted] now has a contract out on him. [redacted] who has an alias of [redacted], Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted] has a [redacted] located at [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted] allegedly lives in Cherry Hill, N. J., where he owns a \$75,000 to \$80,000 home.

On March 28, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] continue operating their store at 56th and Media Streets, and from there, are still engaged in narcotics and numbers business. [redacted] are members of the Black Mafia and have been assisting them by helping to set up logical persons for them to shakedown. They also, through their knowledge of the narcotics business, are able to assist the Black Mafia in distribution of narcotics. One of the persons in the Black Mafia who works very closely with [redacted]

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Another individual who is highly placed in the Black Mafia and Nation of Islam (NOI), according to [redacted] is [redacted] who is the operator of a tavern at 56th and Wyalusing Avenues. [redacted] used to be big in the numbers business, but at the present, is no longer engaged in this venture. Primarily, [redacted] is engaged in the fraudulent check and the insurance claims racket. In the phony insurance business, he is closely associated with [redacted]. The principal office for the check business is [redacted] old ticket agency at 52nd and Locust Streets. From there [redacted] and his associates deal in bulk in travelers checks, government checks, as well as city and state checks. [redacted] was available to him in this location

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a large number of counterfeit identification papers, including licenses, Pennsylvania licenses (drivers), Social Security cards, and credit cards. One of the persons who has been providing the stolen travelers checks is a retired Army sergeant known to [redacted] only as [redacted]. [redacted] obtains the travelers checks from a Philadelphia bank where he is employed in a capacity not known to [redacted]. Another person working for the [redacted] operation is [redacted] also known as [redacted]. This individual has access to a great number of credit cards which are used by the check passing ring.

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[redacted] was employing an ex-convict named [redacted] who worked as a bodyguard. [redacted] is also a member of the Black Mafia, and that he was arrested by the FBI near his apartment in the recent past. [redacted] went on to say that from [redacted] it was learned that this individual had also been outfitted with a complete set of phony identifications provided him through the [redacted] operation.

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The Black Mafia is shaking down merchants in the area of West Philadelphia for protection payments. One of the persons who is paying \$500 a week every Saturday afternoon is the [redacted]. Another place that is paying to the Black Mafia is [redacted] at [redacted] located next to [redacted] old ticket agency, which is also paying protection to the Black Mafia.

One of the meeting places being used by the Black Mafia and members of the Black Muslims is a house directly across the street from [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. Another meeting place used by the Black Muslims in West Philadelphia is the home of [redacted].

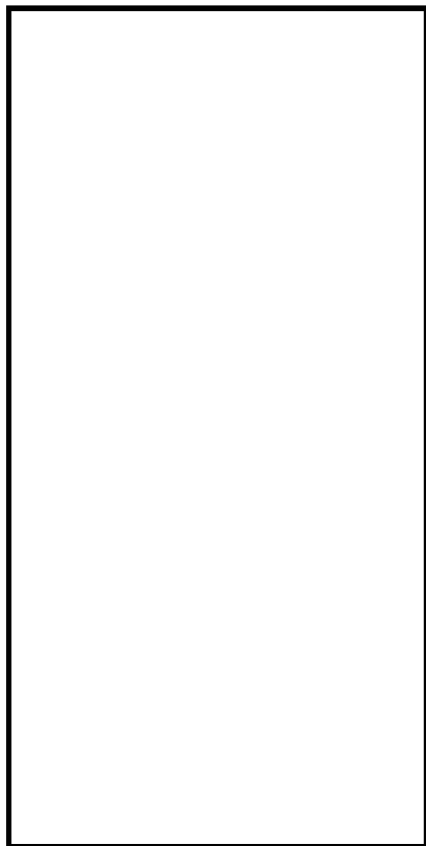
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[redacted] a Negro male about 23, regularly meets at this location with people like [redacted] and others not familiar to [redacted].

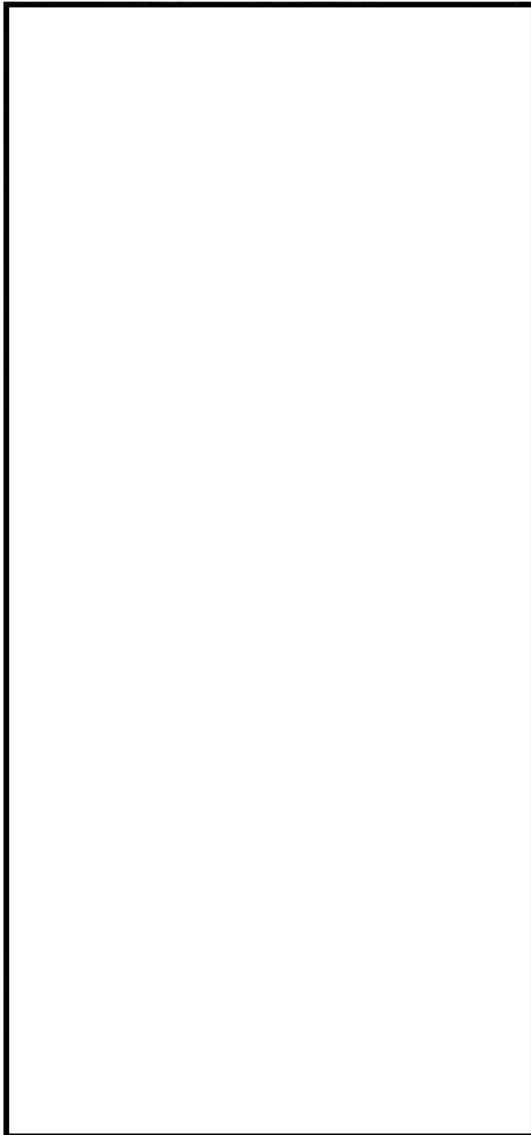
Recently, a group of young Black Muslims from the housing project at 5th and Washington Avenues in South Philadelphia has decided to go into the cleaning business

under the auspices of the Youth Conservation Corps, Federally sponsored job program for ghetto youth. These individuals who are planning to set up a Muslim store near 5th and Washington, intend to sell their products first to all of the Muslim temples and businesses and then, according to [redacted] they expect to sell to other businesses in Philadelphia and other cities. All of these individuals, [redacted] stated, have past prison records and their sales methods to the outside will be on the same order as the forced methods now being used to sell other Muslim products such as bean pies and fish.

[redacted] furnished the following list of names for the young men who are active in the cleaning business to be run under the name of "Your Brothers Cleaning Services":



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[redacted] has heard numerous versions of the incident at NOOKY's bar where the two [redacted] were arrested by the FBI. From [redacted] and people with them, [redacted] learned that the fellow who was shot by the FBI, a man named [redacted] was supposed to have been in the bar in order to provide back-up for the two [redacted] according to [redacted] first checked over the area to make sure that it was clean,

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and then stayed to make sure nothing went wrong. Everybody is quite amazed that [redacted] would dare to testify against members of the Black Mafia because [redacted] had [redacted]

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On March 29, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows

[redacted] has restated his interest in getting out of the Black Mafia. [redacted] showed [redacted] a hard-bound, ledger-type book that [redacted] said contains minutes of all the Black Mafia meetings. [redacted] plans to give the Black Mafia the book if they will let him out of the Black Mafia. [redacted] saw one page of the book, and it contained the following list:

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House of Morgan, 17th & Ellsworth - [redacted]  
[redacted]  
Gee Gee Bar - 6th & Hoffman  
Wonder Inn - 18th & Federal - [redacted]  
Cadillac Club - Germantown & Erie  
Storybook - 23rd & Dickinson - [redacted]  
Huntroom South - 18th & South St.

Several other people went out of the Black Mafia in addition to [redacted]. He credits this desire to get out of the Black Mafia to the direction the Black Mafia has taken. The Black Mafia originally started with the purpose of controlling all narcotics in Philadelphia. They wanted to be able to set the prices, and also to be able to cut off the supply at any time. The profits were to be put back into the community in the form of home improvements and youth clubs. Many of the organizers started to get greedy, and the money went for their own purposes. The Black Mafia started to expand into extortion and other criminal activities to the point where some members got disenchanted. The problems with the 20th and Carpenter Streets gang had also bothered a lot of the members.

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On April 29, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] also known as [redacted] said [redacted] is no longer trusted by the Black Mafia and

the word is out that he is an informant for the "Feds". [ ] no longer associates with any members of the Black Mafia or NOI. It appears the Black Mafia will make an effort to permanently keep [ ] from talking.

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The only person that [ ] appears to be extorting presently is [ ]

Many of the members of the Black Mafia who were formerly connected with the NOI are no longer being helped by the NOI upon getting arrested. The NOI are turning their backs on members who no longer are considered to belong to the NOI. [ ] after his recent arrest was ignored by the NOI.

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[ ] also known as [ ] has been released from jail and is currently hanging around with [ ] also known as [ ] in the 18th and Dauphin area.

On April 30, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

One of the largest narcotics dealers in North Philadelphia is a man known as [ ] deals in both heroin and cocaine. His father has a tavern located at [ ] drives a 1972 Cadillac, white over red, with a vinyl top, and allegedly dresses in very expensive, flashy clothes. [ ] is approximately 28 to 34 years old, about 5' 11" tall, and has a mustache and Afro haircut.

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[ ] were attempting to make bail as soon as possible. Since [ ] has one murder charge against him, he has nothing to lose by running and that is what he intends to do. In the case of [ ] stated that because of his long detention since February 21, 1974, other members in the Black Mafia are attempting to take his place since his captaincy is open. New members are being recruited for the Black Mafia, but on a very slow and cautious basis.

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On May 5, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

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[redacted] such drug [redacted]  
bar located at 20th and Federal Streets. [redacted]  
sister of [redacted] a Black Mafia member.

[redacted] pushes drugs in a house and is from  
the Progressive Club, 20th and Carpenter Streets, Philadelphia,  
Pa. [redacted] drives a 1970 Coupe de Ville, white top visible.

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[redacted], also known as [redacted]  
April 27, 1974, went to a bar in the 1800 block of Columbia  
Avenue to talk with other Black Mafia members. This bar  
is located on the even side of the street. [redacted]  
indicated that he wants to get out of the Black Mafia and  
go back to pushing drugs on his own. He said he could make  
more money this way. [redacted] has also been arrested recently  
by the 20th and Carpenter Streets gang. They approached  
him three times Saturday, April 27, 1974. [redacted] continues  
to drive a blue Cadillac Coupe de Ville with a white vinyl  
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[redacted] also known as [redacted]  
is selling guns to the Black Mafia. [redacted] resides in the  
[redacted] with his wife, Anna ALBEN.  
[redacted] is the sister of [redacted] ALBEN's husband. Anna ALBEN  
is a close associate of [redacted]

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[redacted] has an uncle who operated a bar at 1800  
and Wharton Streets. [redacted] is gun in the vicinity  
of 27th and Morton Streets. He drives a dark green Pinto.

He is described as follows:

Race:	Caucasian
Height:	5' 10" tall
Weight:	150 pounds
Age:	30
Dress:	Plain, wears a mustache.

On May 7, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:  
Black Mafia member, [redacted] residence at 1800  
67th Avenue, and has a phone number of 222-1234. [redacted] drives

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A silver-gray Cadillac, bearing Pennsylvania plates [redacted] has two other residences that he often stays at for a few days. One is [redacted] phone [redacted]. The other is [redacted].

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A close friend of [redacted] drives a car bearing Pennsylvania plates [redacted].

[redacted] who resides at [redacted] is closely associated with the Black Mafia. [redacted] is the boy friend of [redacted].

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[redacted] is either a black mafia member or a close associate. [redacted] was a close friend of MAJOR COXSON and MUHAMMAD ALI. [redacted] He recently purchased a 1974 Fleetwood Cadillac at Serabo's.

On May 6, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] a member of the Black Mafia and active narcotics pusher, has put a "contract" out for [redacted]. He stated [redacted] is paying \$2,000 for this hit. [redacted] is in hiding and has not been seen in several months.

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[redacted] accompanied by [redacted] attempted to rob an individual known as [redacted] who is described as a cocaine drug dealer. This attempted robbery took place on Monday, May 5, 1974, and [redacted] was shot by this individual, being wounded in both legs. The weapon utilized by [redacted] was a .44 Magnum. [redacted] is now in University Hospital as a result of these wounds.

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[redacted] her boy friend, who is known on the street as [redacted] frequent the Story Book Bar located at 13th and [redacted] streets; Williams Turf located at 20th and [redacted] streets; [redacted] Point Bar, located at 23rd and Federal Streets. [redacted] drives a 1971 or 1972 black over green [redacted] and resides on 24th Street between [redacted] and [redacted] streets in South Philadelphia.

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A Negro female by the name of [redacted] is also associated with [redacted] activities. [redacted] resides in the area of [redacted] exact address unknown.

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On May 23, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] whose real name is unknown to him, drives a 1974 Monte Carlo and is the Black Mafia gun contact. [redacted] lives somewhere in the [redacted]

[redacted] He has a girl friend named [redacted] who lives somewhere in the [redacted]

[redacted] was arrested in 1970 for giving his girl friend an overdose of seconal. She later died. [redacted] is married but is separated from his wife. His wife lives in the vicinity of [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. He is normally armed carrying a small .22 revolver in his right rear pants pocket.

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On May 23, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] Negro male, age approximately 28 years old, is now selling narcotics for either [redacted] also known as [redacted] also known as [redacted] Most of the drugs on South Street are sold at the Log Cabin Tavern, which is located at 15th and South Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted] who is a narcotics dealer in large quantities of cocaine, is now driving a 1973 Oldsmobile Toronado. [redacted] is his immediate supervisor. [redacted] is also a cocaine dealer and he drives a 1972 Cadillac Coupe de Ville. [redacted] has been shot on two separate occasions in the past by members of the 20th and Carpenter Streets gang. A Negro male known as [redacted] tells Toronados at the corner of 20th and Ellsworth Streets.

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On May 14, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] better known as [redacted] are still working in the extortion business

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in the West Philadelphia area. [redacted] has taken over most of the narcotics traffic in the 52nd Street area. It is street talk that [redacted] are probably

There are several other individuals in [redacted] One is known as [redacted] who [redacted] described as approximately 5' 4" or 5' 5" tall, 45 years of age, heavy moustache. Negro male, who drives a late model Lincoln Continental. [redacted] has been seen recently in Southwest Philadelphia in the area of Penrose Park, which is a housing project. [redacted] allegedly is staying out of town in nearby Wilmington, Del., or Baltimore, Md., but has this girl friend who puts him up on weekends. [redacted] was recently at a party out on Ogontz Avenue at Ciro's Bar in the 7200 block. [redacted] was with two other Negro males, one of which was [redacted]

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[redacted] also has a close friend by the name of [redacted] who lives in the [redacted] Her apartment is up over [redacted] Street in the middle of the block. Her husband, [redacted] is presently incarcerated in Graterford Prison.

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The Black Mafia is moving strongly in North Philadelphia trying to recruit the Zulu Nation and several other street gangs in the North Philadelphia area. There have been numerous drug deals and several killings in the Columbia Avenue area and the 23rd and Diamond Streets area. Allegedly, this is because of the confrontation the Black Mafia is having in trying to take over the territory.

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On May 20, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

An individual known to him as [redacted] who is a Black Mafia associate. is now in the loan sharking, extortion, and harboring and by the Black Mafia operation.

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and [redacted] 1970 [redacted] [redacted] view top, green bottom.  
[redacted] [redacted] and he has a long  
police record. Several of his associates are allegedly for  
crimes as follows: [redacted] one of his associates  
normally seen on [redacted] in the area of [redacted]  
[redacted] The other individuals

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who associate with [redacted] are [redacted] who drives a Cadillac. License Number [redacted] another individual is [redacted] who drives a Cadillac with Pennsylvania License Number [redacted] and the last guy is [redacted] who drives a Cadillac with License Number [redacted].

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[redacted] has been trying to move in the illegal numbers business in North and West Philadelphia areas. He is normally armed and also carries a revolver under the front seat of his car. (License Number [redacted] is registered to [redacted] License Number [redacted]

[redacted] is registered to [redacted] Street. License Number [redacted] is registered to [redacted] address [redacted] PHPD Number [redacted], date of birth of [redacted] lives at [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa., according to PHPD criminal records.)

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C. MURDER

Within the past year there have been approximately 30 homicides and an undeterminable number of shootings related to the Black Mafia in Philadelphia. The following newspaper articles are but two examples of the murderous activities attributed to the Black Mafia:

On November 3, 1973 [ ] advised as follows:

A recent newspaper account for a murder and suicide by a young black couple in an automobile on Front Street was not, in fact, a suicide. He advised that the male was LAWRENCE HUDDY, who was a large scale narcotics pusher with a long rap sheet of arrests for shootings, assaults, and robberies. The girl was his girl friend, known to him only as [ ] advised that he learned that the girl friend was going to testify for some law enforcement agency against HUDDY or at least this is what HUDDY believed. It was then HUDDY's intention to kill her because of this. [ ] noted that he (HUDDY) had previously shot a girl merely because she was going to leave him. HUDDY was 32 years of age. [ ] further advised that [ ] knew that HUDDY was going to kill her, and she set him up to be murdered by members of the Black Mafia. This is the reason why they were both in the vicinity of Front Street at the time of their deaths. The arrangement was, source stated, that a Black Mafia hit man would murder HUDDY. Instead, the hit man was late and by the time he arrived, HUDDY had already murdered his girl friend. The hit man then murdered HUDDY.

[ ] further advised that [ ] member of Speedy's Bar, 15th and Columbia Avenue, prior to the shooting, did a lot of loud talking about HUDDY and his activities and it is currently felt by HUDDY's friends that [ ] big mouth in some way helped set HUDDY up. As a result of this feeling source learned it is likely that [ ] may be killed by HUDDY's friends.

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# DOUBLE KILLING

## ARMED & DANGEROUS

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P.1, The Philadelphia Tribune, Phila., Pa.

# MURDER - CONSIDER

## Pair Found in Society Hill Section

The possible motive in what police call a murder-suicide may have been a falling boyfriend-girlfriend relationship.

The motive was suspected when a note was found in the pocketbook of the female victim, whose body, along with that of her male companion, was found Wednesday morning.

The pair was identified as Patricia Thompson, 27, of the 1500 block of West 68th Avenue, also known as "Trusty" and Lawrence Hutty, 32, of the 1960 block of West Sterling Street. The note indicated that Ms. Thompson was planning to tell Hutty "it was over."

According to Lt. Donald Patterson of the Homicide Division, the bodies were discovered by sanitation workers Wednesday morning around 9 A.M. in a 1972 Cadillac with a white top and maroon body, parked on Front Street between Spruce and Pine in the Society Hill section.

### NATHELY DRESSED

Hutty was dressed in a green and white suit with a green hat and maroon shirt. His body was behind the steering wheel of the loaded auto.

Officials said that in his right hand, resting between his legs, was a .38 caliber revolver, with his finger on the trigger.

Ms. Thompson's body was slumped forward. She wore a blouse and a pair of gray slacks.

The Medical Examiner's Office said that the female victim had been shot once in the head, chest and arm. Hutty (Continued on Page 19, C.1. 3)

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## Pair Found In Society Hill Section

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died from a bullet wound at close range in the mouth.

In the vicinity of the car were posters announcing upcoming dances to curb gang violence at the O.V. Gatto School.

### POLICE RECORDS

Mr. Ladd found a few arrests for petty larceny. Hatty had an extensive police record dating back to 1937.

He had four arrests for assault with intent to kill, six for carrying a concealed deadly weapon, eight for assault and battery and was awaiting court action on charges of violation of the Uniform Firearms Act, carrying a concealed deadly weapon, conspiracy, aggravated assault and battery and assault and battery.

Hatty is suspected by officials to have been involved in the drug trafficking in the city.

# Hand, Feet Bound With Coathanger

By ED STENSON

(Of the Tribune Staff)

The death of a 39-year-old Germantown man whose head was severed from his body has been called one of the city's most savage murders by police officials.

The headless body of the man was found with hands and feet bound with coathanger wire in "Gangster fashion" Wednesday on Villard St. near 19th, lying between two parked cars.

The head was found on 12th St. near Mt. Vernon.

Police identified the dead man as George Abeny, of the unit block of E. Clapier St.

According to Police Captain Arthur Matthews of the homicide division, this was the first case of this nature he has ever seen.

When discovered, the headless body was clad in a pair of dungarees, a multi-colored shirt, and a beige overcoat. A pair of mod style red and black high heel shoes were lying beside the body.

Officials said Mrs. Shirley Slaughter, of 19th St. near Villard, called in the report about the body Wednesday morning around 7:37 a.m. after her daughter, who was on her way to school, returned home and told her what she had seen.

## IN PILLOW CASE

The head was found about 45 minutes later by a school bus driver who had stopped to pick up some children at 12th and Mt. Vernon Sts.

The driver, whose name is being withheld by police, said he found the head in an orange pillow case on the steps of the postulated Wanda bar.

Witnesses on the scene when the head was found said the case was open and the head was lying on the steps of the bar.

According to the Philadelphia Police, Abeny was a 39-year-old man who was married and had three children. He was a bartender at the Black Velvet Lounge on Ridge Ave. near 21st St.

GEORGE ABENY

# Hand, Feet Bound With Coathanger

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of the neck and death was caused by decapitation, officials said.

Abeny had a police record which included 16 arrests, and two prison sentences for robbery.

Abeny's family, obviously very distraught when contacted by the Tribune, refused comment.

Abeny was said to have worked as a bartender at the Black Velvet Lounge on Ridge Ave. near 21st St.

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# Firebombings, Then Murders, in Feud

The first signs of open warfare between Black Brothers Inc. and the 20th and Carpenter sts. gang flared last Dec. 7.

It began when two cars, belonging to Mrs. Margaret Robinson and her son, Donald, 22 were firebombed. Donald is the leader of the 20th and Carpenter sts. gang, and sources say it was a warning from the Black Brothers to bring the gang into line.

Later that day, Roger (Sunny) Pinkard, 21, was shot down. Pinkard, a former gang member who reportedly joined the Black Brothers, died six days later.

GANG MEMBERS Nathaniel Anderson, 16, and Edward Wilkerson, 17, have been charged with Pinkard's murder.

Four more cars were firebombed that month, along with one of two Black Brothers headquarters, at 717 S. 20th st.

The firebombings stopped last January, but the gun play continued.

Leroy Dawson, 19, of 1726 S. 20th st., was shot to death last Jan. 15. Police said Dawson, whose 1957 Cadillac was firebombed, had told them he was "associated" with Black Brothers, but was not a member. Blaine Wyhe, 10,

and Philip Jones, 16, both Carpenter st. gang members were charged with Dawson's death.

Ten days later, Jeremiah Middleton, of 1916 Montrose st., was gunned down while waiting for a bus to go to school. The slaying, a case of mistaken identity, according to sources, was a warning to gang members to knuckle under to the Black Brothers.

CLARENCE STARKS, 22, of Fitzwater near 21st st., has been charged with the murder and is being defended by Black Brothers attorney Nigo V. Tinar.

Last Feb. 20, the same day that George Abrey, 33, a reputed North Philadelphia drug addict was beheaded, Donald Robinson received a telephone threat. "You're next," a voice said.

Later that night, Robinson and two other members of the 20th and Carpenter sts. gang were charged with snooting, and seriously wounding

James Fox, the No. 4 man in Black Brothers. Robinson's \$10,000 cash was raised by the community when he was shot.

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V . BLACK MAFIA VS 20TH AND CARPENTER  
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On December 11, 1973, [redacted] Badge Number [redacted] South Detectives, Philadelphia Police Department, furnished the following information to SA [redacted]:

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At 2:30 a.m., December 11, 1973, [redacted] Badge Number [redacted] South Detectives, Philadelphia Police Department, telephone number MU6-3013, was telephonically contacted by writer and furnished the following information:

At 2:16 a.m., December 9, 1973, a vehicle registered to [redacted] was burned at [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. The vehicle is further described as a 1971 Cadillac, black over bronze. When members of the Philadelphia Fire Department responded to the above auto fire, they observed a fire inside the building located on the southeast corner of 20th and Pine of 717 South 20th Street. [redacted] advised this building is owned by the City of Philadelphia and leased by [redacted]. Further, [redacted] is known to be a sponsor for the Council for Community Development. This building is also headquarters for "Black B., Inc."

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] also known as [redacted] (phonetic), [redacted] was the leader of the 20th and Carpenter Streets gang. This 20th and Carpenter Streets gang was previously led by [redacted] [redacted] assumed leadership when [redacted] was imprisoned. When [redacted] got out of prison, he found that [redacted] were organizing narcotics gangs in the South Philadelphia area under Black B., Incorporated. Thus, an intergang dispute ensued and this has been responsible for many gang slayings in the Philadelphia area.

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On December 11, 1973, the vehicle belonging to [redacted] was firebombed at 1028 South 28th Street, Philadelphia, shortly after midnight. [redacted] vehicle, bearing Philadelphia, Pa., license number [redacted] was further described as a 1969 Mercury, black over yellow. [redacted] stated that [redacted]

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[redacted] and the car was parked outside the home of [redacted] further advised that preliminary investigation at [redacted] indicated an explosion followed by fire had totally destroyed [redacted] car.

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[redacted] advised that extensive records of Black B., Inc., and the Council for Community Development had been obtained at the time of the fire in their mutual headquarters at 717 South 20th Street. [redacted] described this information as "a wealth of intelligence information," and this information, documents, etc., had been forwarded to the commanding officer, Intelligence Unit, Philadelphia Police Department.

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On December 13, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] and most of the other members of Black Incorporated have not had a meeting at the 20th and Emberton Street center since the firebombing incident earlier in the month. [ ] stated it appears that [ ] and most of the older members are deathly scared of the 20th and Carpenter Street gang. It appears that there had been a fallout between Black Mafia and the Carpenter Street gang because of the lack of money that is supposed to be flowing from the head runner of the gang to the last of the gang members. Black Incorporated had attempted to co-opt the various gang leaders by giving them money, narcotics and the use of big new automobiles for the use of the gangs as enforcers for certain extortion activities of the Black Mafia. Now that the money supplied by gang leaders has not been given often enough in such a manner to please all of the gang members, the gangs are now pulling away from the organization. He had heard that [ ] [ ] has been in hiding since the bombing incident earlier this month. It is true that a contract on [ ] [ ]

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On December 19, 1978, [ ] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia is thinking about going underground with many of their activities because of pressures from the police. As far as the police are concerned the Black Mafia is riding around town in old cars to avoid getting stopped so often by them. They have also quit having their meetings at 20th and Pemberton Streets.

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The Black Mafia is also having problems with the 20th and Carpenter Street gangs. This gang has already been involved in several shootouts with members of the Black Mafia and they have also firebombed several of their cars as well as their meeting place at 20th and Pemberton in recent weeks. [ ] said the young gang members refused to turn in their money to the Black Mafia that they got for selling the Black Mafia's narcotics. Rather than turning the money over, the gang members have been buying expensive clothes and cars with the money they are receiving for selling dope. [ ] also said the word is that three or more individuals are coming into town from Chicago to "straighten things out."

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On January 16, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

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He is no longer making regular protection payments to members of the Black Mafia. He stated that this was due to the fact that the Black Mafia is involved in an internal struggle which has sapped its strength in South Philadelphia. Presently members of the Black Mafia are battling a group of young hoodlums centered in the vicinity of 20th and Carpenter. As a result of these battles the Black Mafia power has somewhat dwindled and he is no longer being bothered at the present. Originally Black Mafia tried to recruit these people into their own organization but had refused to pay them equal shares of their illicit profits. As a result the 20th and Carpenter Street gang members began their own extortion activities and refused to cut the Black Mafia in for any shares. Since then there have been several shootings between these two organizations.

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On February 28, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

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Many of the Black Mafia members are driving around in old beat up vehicles instead of their fancy Cadillacs because the police are putting so much pressure on them. The war between the 20th Street and Carpenter and the Black Mafia is continuing evidenced by the fact that several shoot-outs have occurred in recent weeks involving the two gangs.

On April 1, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] who has had two visits from [ ] The visits took place on March 28 and 30, 1974, at the home at [ ] Philadelphia, Pa. [ ] did all of the talking. He tried to enlist [ ] help to have a meeting with himself, [ ] and other leaders of the 20th and Carpenter Street gang in order to end the gang warfare by his Black Mafia organization and the 20th and Carpenter Street gang. [ ] further advised [ ] that the NOI had plans for setting up a mosque in South Philadelphia and that it was presently unsafe for NOI members to sell newspapers on the street corners in the South Philadelphia area. [ ] promised [ ] that no harm would come to her, her son, nor any of the leadership of the gang. The meeting is strictly an effort to hash out their differences so that the Black Mafia can get on with its other business.

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[ ] told [ ] that she had spoken with him back in December when he promised her much of the same thing, however, he told her at that time she should keep all of the members of 20th and Carpenter Street gang out of her home if she wanted to remain healthy. [ ] further advised that since that talk, her son, [ ] had not been able to come home. [ ] advised [ ] that all that is over and done with now and that as soon as a meeting can be set up, all their differences can be hashed out.

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[redacted] is very suspicious of [redacted], nor does she trust [redacted] who was recently set free for shooting [redacted]

As of this writing, no meeting has been set.

On April 3, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

On April 3, 1974, two members of the 20th and Carpenter Street gang parked outside of a bar at 56th and Lansdowne Avenue and sat there for approximately two hours. [redacted] learned from people in the neighborhood that they were waiting for [redacted] in order to shoot him. After he learned this, he called the 19th District, Philadelphia Police Department, who then grabbed two men and searched them for weapons. However, no weapons were found and the police released them. Later on, it was learned from one of the hangers-on that the guns that the two men intended to use were in a car parked directly behind their car. This car had been parked there earlier so that if the men did get stopped by the police, they would have no guns on them and therefore not give the police a reason to arrest them.

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On May 23, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

There is a temporary truce between the Black Mafia and the 20th and Carpenter Street gang. He stated he has recently seen members of both organizations walking on the street in South Philadelphia. Normally, they would be afraid someone would shoot them on sight. The easing of tensions may be connected with the closing of the Black B., Incorporated, office which was located at 1435 South Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The following information was furnished by [redacted]  
[redacted] Philadelphia Police Department, [redacted], South Detectives Division, PHPD, and [redacted] Fire Marshal's Office, Philadelphia Fire Department. It is being set forth in chronological order:

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At 2:16 a.m., on December 7, 1973, a 1968 Pontiac Ventura was burned at 19th and Bainbridge Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. The owner of the car was listed as [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. Records of the Philadelphia Fire Department reflect that they believe this fire was caused by a cigarette.

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At 4:21 a.m., on the same date, a 1973 Thunderbird was burned at [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. This car was registered to [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. When the Philadelphia Fire Department (PHFD) extinguished the fire, they found a five-gallon gas can wedged between the front seat and the dashboard. There were no molotov cocktails used in either fire.

On December 9, 1973, at 2:20 a.m., the Philadelphia Fire Department was responding to an automobile fire at [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. En route to this fire, they found a fire inside the Council for Community Development, 717 South 20th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. According to Philadelphia Police Department and Philadelphia Fire Department, four fires were started simultaneously with molotov cocktails. Philadelphia Police Department advised that Council for Community Development, at 717 South 20th Street, is also a front for Black, Incorporated, a group of black hoodlums engaged in extorting money from black racket people and blacks engaged in narcotics traffic. After the fire, Philadelphia Police Department and Philadelphia Fire Department found a .38 caliber Smith and Wesson revolver in the ceiling of the ladies' room. Also in the building, they found boxes of 6.35 millimeter ammunition and boxes of 12 and 20 gauge shotgun shells. The National Crime Information Center (NCIC) check on the revolver by PHPD was negative. PHPD advised that [redacted] of Council for Community Development and Black, Incorporated.

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At 2:27 a.m., on the same date, PHFD extinguished a fire in a 1974 Cadillac at [redacted] This car was registered to [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. PHFD Fire Marshal's Office, is investigating this fire. It was not set by molotovs.

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On December 11, 1973, at 12:16 a.m., PHFD extinguished a fire in a car outside of [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. This car was registered to [redacted] PHFD records reflect that they believe the fire was started with a cigarette.

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[redacted] advised on December 11, 1973, that [redacted] also known as [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa., was the leader of the 20th and Carpenter Streets gang. This 20th and Carpenter Streets gang was previously let by [redacted] [redacted] assumed leadership of the gang when [redacted] was in prison. When [redacted] released from prison, he learned that [redacted] were organizing narcotics gangs in the South Philadelphia area under Black, Incorporated, and Black "B," Incorporated. PHPD also advised that [redacted]

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On the afternoon of December 11, 1973, in the vicinity of 20th and Carpenter Street, Philadelphia, Pa., PHPD received word of gunshots in the area. They went to the area and took into headquarters, for questioning, [redacted] and [redacted]. None of those taken in for questioning had guns but guns were laying on the sidewalk and street when police arrived. [redacted] at the time of his arrest, had \$2,315 in cash in his pocket. PHPD, on December 12, 1973, released the above three mentioned individuals.

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PHPD estimated the damage of the fire caused by the molotov at [redacted] as \$500. As of December 13, 1978, PHPD has no definite suspects.

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The following investigation was conducted by SAS

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On January 23, 1974, [redacted], also known as [redacted] was interviewed at South Detective Division, Philadelphia Police Department. [redacted] advised that he is the leader of the 20th Street Gangs. He presently resides at [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa., and has telephone number [redacted]. He stated he was born at Philadelphia on [redacted]. [redacted] advised that Black Incorporated, which has an office location of 1443 South Street, Philadelphia, Pa., has tried to get all of the youth gangs in Philadelphia to join them and stop gang waring with each other. If they could accomplish this, Black Incorporated could apply for some type of Federal or State funding, and thereby use the monies obtained for the purchase of narcotics. They told all of the gang leaders that if they would pledge not to engage in gang warfare, members of Black Incorporated would "personally handle" the first gang, or its members, who stepped out of line. [redacted] stated the gangs were then told which person or store owner should be "hit" or killed. They would only pay the gang leader \$30 or \$40 for each "job." The reason they were so successful was because Black Incorporated is made up of primarily all of the major black hoodlums and narcotics pushers in Philadelphia. In addition, they have the religious affiliation with the Black Muslims and this made all of the gangs feel that they were part of something "big" or "hip." [redacted] stated that the leaders of Black Incorporated invite all of the youth gangs to a youth center located at 20th and Pemberton Street, Philadelphia, Pa. At the meetings the above proposal was put forth. [redacted] stated all of the gang leaders joined Black Incorporated except him. Since he spoke for the 20th and Carpenter Street Gang, which is probably the largest black gang in Philadelphia and did not join Black Incorporated, there has been repeated attempts to woo him into the organization. [redacted] stated that [redacted] who is the primary mover in Black Incorporated, tried to show him the advantages of belonging to the "Organization." Should any gang attack the members of the 20th Street and Carpenter Street Gang, there would be no need for retaliation on their part. Black Incorporated would be the individuals, who started the waring, killed. Should any of the gang members

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in the organization be picked up by the police for handling any Black Incorporated's "jobs," they would get to have a few years in jail due to his juvenile status.

Black Incorporated acquires of firearms by sending members to gun stores in Pottstown and Norristown and other areas surrounding Philadelphia. Normally, only sketchy identification is required and no police department check is necessary. Members have also been sent to Georgia and Louisiana, where weapons have been purchased. [redacted] could not be more specific.

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According to [redacted], also known as [redacted] "allegedly has a machine gun. It appears to be in working order but Black Incorporated has been able to buy a clip for it. [redacted] stated that [redacted] is presently living in the area of [redacted] and that [redacted] is living on [redacted] in the Mount Airy section of Philadelphia. Another member of the Black Incorporated is [redacted] also known as [redacted] who has bought a home on [redacted]. One of the leaders of Black Incorporated is [redacted] who lives at [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa.

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Black Incorporated is extorting from everyone, who is in any type of illegal business, whether it is selling narcotics or numbers activities. They are also extorting legitimate business people in many areas throughout the city. Every weekend, members of Black Incorporated go to a house on Broomall Street, which is between 56th and 57th Streets, and Baltimore Avenue. This is an after hours joint, which is owned by [redacted]. The members normally bring their girlfriends and are normally armed.

Although [redacted] is the caretaker for the organization under [redacted]

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According to [redacted] the following gangs are now part of Black Incorporated itself, or Black Incorporated, Chapter II:

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- 1) 24th and Taylor Gang
- 2) 21st and Pierce Gang
- 3) 13th and South Gang
- 4) 15th and Clymen Gang
- 5) 27th and Morton Gang
- 6) 21st and Titan Gang
- 7) 21st and Lot Gang

8) 5th Street Gang [redacted] controls 5th Street gang and they are responsible for most of the robberies in South Philadelphia.)

Although [redacted] are the main leaders of Black Incorporated, [redacted] is the real power behind the throne. [redacted] is the head of the Nation of Islam for the Philadelphia area. Another big leader of Black Incorporated is [redacted]. The main contact for [redacted] and Black Incorporated is [redacted].

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[redacted] advised he has the following relatives:

Father	[redacted] deceased)
Mother	[redacted]
Brothers	[redacted] also known as [redacted] Age 27.
	[redacted] also known as [redacted] [redacted], " age 26.
	[redacted] also known as [redacted] [redacted] " age 25 [redacted] is presently incarcerated at Huntington Prison)
Sisters	[redacted] age 24 [redacted], age 18

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[redacted] stated that his sister, [redacted] is the girlfriend of [redacted]. She has two children, ages three and four, by [redacted]. Allegedly, [redacted] live in the [redacted].

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It is rumored that [redacted] occasionally stays in the Ben Franklin Hotel at the corner of 9th and Chestnut Streets, when completing large narcotics transactions. [redacted] stated he presently drives a 1966 Buick Electra, black in color, two door sedan.

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On 1/8/74 [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa., telephone [redacted], was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and told that the reason for the interview concerned information that her son, [redacted], also known as [redacted] may be in physical danger due to threats against his life. [redacted] was advised that the information concerning the threats were received from very reliable sources.

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[redacted] advised Bureau agents that she knew for sure that the threats were real because several individuals had come to her home looking for [redacted]. Also, [redacted] stated she had received numerous threats against her son's life and the lives of other family members because of [redacted] activities with the 20th and Carpenter Street Gang. [redacted] stated that she is a supervisor at the South Philadelphia Health Action Agency, located at 1015 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa., telephone 928-0600. She stated the threats started during the first part of December 1973. At that time, a young man by the name of ROGER PINKARD, also known as SONNY, was allegedly killed by the 20th and Carpenter Street Gang. The murder was perpetrated because members of the gang suspected PINKARD of being an informant for Black Incorporated. [redacted] stated that before she would talk any further, she would like for the

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conversation to remain strictly confidential because the facts she would talk about could implicate a lot of people and that she did not want to place her life or the lives of other family members in jeopardy.

According to [redacted] Black Incorporated or Black Mafia, is made up of a bunch of Black thugs and hoodlums who are extorting money from everyone who appears to have any and are forcing all of the young gang members to join their organization. All monies collected are used to buy narcotics and then gang members are used to distribute the narcotics, with the profits going, in her opinion, to the Black Muslims Organization. [redacted] made it very clear that this is only her opinion and that she has no proof, but it is her belief that [redacted] is the power behind this group.

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[redacted] stated that Black Incorporated took over a youth center at 20th and Pemberton Streets, which used to be used as a gathering spot for young people in the South Philadelphia area. They started out by saying they were going to help the neighborhood by stopping gang wars, rehabilitating ghetto housing and securing a place for social activities such as dances. However, once they took over the center, they quickly turned the young gang members into strong arms men and narcotics pushers themselves. Due to the fact that her son, [redacted] for the 20th and Carpenter Street Gang and also to the fact that he tries to pull away from Black Incorporated, threats have been made on his life and several young boys have been shot in South Philadelphia and a few of them have even died.

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After the death of ROGER PINKARD on December 7, 1973, members of the Black Mafia firebombed her 1972 Ford Thunderbird, which was outside her home. That night, [redacted] (LNU), [redacted] and a boy by the name of [redacted] came to her home. [redacted] along with several other Black Incorporated members, broke down her front door and came into the house brandishing firearms. Due to the fact that the young man inside her home also had firearms, it was a stand-off. [redacted] was able to stop bloodshed by making [redacted] and the others leave her home. Before he left however, [redacted] made it quite

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clear that her son, [redacted] and the other boys inside would be killed on sight. [redacted] also let it be known that should he, [redacted] be killed, the contract would be taken up by someone else. According to [redacted] all of the other boys, including her son, had only a short time to live.

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Shortly after they left, [redacted] received a call from a neighbor stating that her automobile was on fire. [redacted] looked out the window and saw that her car was engulfed in flames, at which time she called the Philadelphia Fire Department. Fire officials came to her residence and put out the fire. A gasoline can was taken from the inside of the car. According to [redacted] the Philadelphia Fire Marshals have the gasoline can which was used to start the fire. She told the Fire Marshal and the Philadelphia Police Officers that it was probably [redacted] and some of the members of Black Incorporated who started the fire because she personally did not see who started the fire and [redacted] stated she would not swear out a warrant for [redacted] arrest. The second reason, and probably the most important reason why she feels in the middle concerning her son, is that [redacted] has two

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[redacted] stated all during this turmoil, since the night of 12/7/73 [redacted] has been calling her home threatening her life and at the same time asking to speak to her daughter. She stated that she told [redacted] that this whole thing was stupid about him trying to kill someone who is the uncle of his [redacted] children. She stated she could not understand why he would try to kill [redacted] and yet considers himself [redacted] sister's boyfriend. [redacted] stated she could tell by the way [redacted] calls for her daughter that he still cares for her and the kids. As a matter of fact, [redacted] stated that [redacted] has an apartment in the [redacted] in Upper Darby, Pa. The apartment was rented by a friend of his by the name of [redacted] does not live there and never has, however, the apartment remains in his name.

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[redacted] further advised that the reason she hesitates to talk to the police, the FBI, or anyone else is because she knows for a fact that Black Incorporated members have very good connections with the Philadelphia Police Department especially the 17th precinct and also strong connections in the Philadelphia Court System. For instance, [redacted] stated that [redacted] who rented the apartment for [redacted]. She described [redacted] as a Negro male, approximately 30 years of age, 5'6", 150 pounds, wears a beard and drives a Mercedes-Benz car. [redacted] allegedly owns a home in the Mount Airy section of Philadelphia and is married to a lady of Oriental ancestry. [redacted] also known as [redacted] also lives in the Mount Airy section of Philadelphia, however, all of the [redacted] children use the address of [redacted] as their home on record.

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A bail bondsman by the name of [redacted] who has been in the business for numerous years and who knows the Philadelphia Court System backwards and forwards is also a big contact for the members of Black Incorporated. [redacted] went on to state that another reason why she refuses to trust law enforcement officers is because a detective told her that on 12/8/74 the PHPD arrested [redacted] in the 1800 block of Montrose Street. In his possession was a revolver and four bundles of heroin. The very next day, [redacted] stated she saw [redacted] standing on the corner of 22nd and Carpenter Street as big as life. [redacted] advised that if members of Black Incorporated or Black Mafia can be picked up with large amounts of narcotics and weapons in their possession, being known felons, and still not spend any time in jail, then why should citizens help the police. It is a known fact, according to [redacted] that with the right money placed in the right hands, a man can commit murder in this town and never spend a day in jail for it.

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[redacted] further advised that [redacted], also a leader of Black Incorporated, [redacted]

[redacted] Although [redacted] was arrested for the shooting he never spent one day in jail. Neither [redacted] nor any of her relatives have received any type of

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communication from the PHPD or the Philadelphia Court System as to when to appear in court concerning the trial. It is strongly rumored, according to [redacted] that because of a pay-off, [redacted] had the whole matter quashed.

Another example occurring to [redacted] is the murder of THELMA GREEN, who was a witness to the murder of her own brother. This happened some time last year and the murderer of both victims, [redacted], is now walking the streets. [redacted] was advised by Bureau agents that [redacted] was tried by a jury and found not guilty of the murder of GREEN. [redacted] retorted that was only for the GREEN boy, and that he had never been tried or even arrested for the murder of THELMA GREEN. [redacted] stated it was a known fact that the reason that THELMA GREEN was murdered was because she was the only eyewitness to the murder of her brother. Without her court testimony, [redacted] was set free.

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No amount of reasoning could persuade her to cooperate very much with law enforcement officials.

Last Friday night, 1/4/74 [redacted] and a boy by the name of [redacted], shot [redacted] who lives in the [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa., according to [redacted] is now paralyzed from the neck down while [redacted] are out hunting down other members of the 20th and Carpenter Street gang.

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[redacted] was asked what did the 20th and Carpenter Street gang do in retaliation for the firebombing of her car. [redacted] smiled and stated that she did not know for a fact that any retaliation was attempted, however, she stated the very next night the center, located at 20th and Pemberton Street, was firebombed, and also the cars of several leaders of Black Incorporated were also firebombed.

[redacted] was asked why not attempt to get all of the boys from the 20th and Carpenter Street gang to cooperate with law enforcement officials in order to get to the bottom of all shootings and other incidents of violence in connection with Black Incorporated. [redacted] stated that this was impossible

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because on the same night that she put [ ] and his friends out of her home to prevent a shootout, they sent the PHPD to her home and had six boys arrested. According to [ ] it was true that the boys had weapons with them and the one boy named [ ] took the "fall" for all the weapons. He did this, according to [ ], because he was a fugitive from Camp Hill Institution.

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[ ] stated that it was mighty peculiar to her and to others that the PHPD could always find the gang members and arrest them in their homes and confiscate their weapons that are only used for protection, while members of the Black Mafia, or Black Incorporated, can ride around Philadelphia in brand new cars carrying bundles of narcotics and brandishing weapons, but they are never jailed nor are their weapons confiscated. [ ] stated "You figure it out; it doesn't take an Einstein to do that."

[ ] advised it is rumored that Black Incorporated has machine guns. Although she personally has never seen them nor would she recognize a machine gun, some of the boys from the 20th and Carpenter Street gang have seen the guns and fired them. This is before they (20th and Carpenter Street gang) pulled out of Black Incorporated.

[ ] was asked if it would be possible to speak with her son, [ ], concerning [ ] and Black Incorporated. [ ] advised Bureau agents that her son and the [ ] boys are presently in hiding and only she knew where they were. She stated all three boys fear for their lives and therefore, cannot be contacted by anyone. She stated she would try to get a message to them that Bureau agents wanted to interview them concerning [ ] and the Black Mafia, however, she stated she would not attempt to persuade them to speak to Bureau agents.

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On October 10, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] along with four other unknown Negro males, went to TOMMIE FARRINGTON's apartment, the Presidential Apartments, City Line Avenue, around noon on the day FARRINGTON was shot. When they went to the apartment, the doorman called FARRINGTON's [ ]

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[ ] stated that it seemed funny that [ ]

[ ] said that [ ] continues to make his regular stops at [ ] place at [ ] usually arrives around 12:30 PM. This is a pick up of money for narcotics.

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[ ] stated that [ ] has three suppliers for narcotics. They are [ ] and [ ] (LNU). [ ] buys from [ ] just to keep the Muslims off his back.

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On October 30, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

The street talk is going around that the Black Mafia has no intentions of spreading out into white neighborhoods with their extortion racket. Allegedly, this is because they can extort, murder, and commit robberies with impunity, knowing that black people are fearful of cooperating with law enforcement officials. If they tried to work the same tactics in white neighborhoods, it would bring strong police action and surveillance.

[ ] also advised that [ ] aka [ ] has been seen going into Foo-Foo Regan's Restaurant at 52nd and Locust Streets for collections on a weekly basis.

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[ ] is always accompanied by two other black males. It is alleged that [ ] is paying off the Black Maf'a due to his numbers and narcotics operations. [ ] also has been displaying a business card with the following inscription:

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Black B. Inc.

Business Representative

1435 South Street

Philadelphia, Pa.

Telephone numbers KI5-1439

KI5-1386

The Black B. Inc., allegedly stands for Black Brothers, Inc. [ ] was recently boasting that he could get in touch with 25 hit men with one telephone call.

[ ] has recently been seen frequenting the Storybook Lounge at the corner of 23rd and Dickerson Streets.

[ ] is still selling narcotics for his brother, [ ] in the 20th and Carpenter Street area of South Philadelphia. He allegedly is the main contact man for the distribution in his brother's narcotics ring. It is rumored that he has the leaders of four youth gangs selling narcotics under him. [ ] has been seen driving an automobile that allegedly belongs to [ ], another known narcotics dealer who lives in the [ ].

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[ ] It is alleged that [ ] and that he, [ ] has strong narcotics connection in New York City.

On October 30, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] who is a large narcotics dealer in South Philadelphia is driving a white over red Cadillac bearing Pennsylvania license [ ]. He has also been seen driving a black Cadillac bearing Pennsylvania license [ ]. Both men have been seen in and around the office of Black Inc., located at 1431 South Street, Philadelphia.

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On October 31, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] are key figures in the Black Mafia. He advised that [ ] and [ ] run the narcotics operation in West Philadelphia. He further advised that [ ] could be located in the area of 55th and Pemberton Streets.

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On November 3, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] (ph), whom he knows as [ ], has been traveling to Jamaica each week for approximately the last six weeks and that he usually comes back to Philadelphia on Friday. [ ] told him that "all the brothers" are in Jamaica and he took this to mean [ ] and [ ] stated that on Friday, October 26, 1973, [ ] was arrested by the U.S. Customs at Philadelphia International Airport when he assaulted a Customs officer who had attempted to search him. [ ] exited a plane from Jamaica with his leg either in a cast or wrapped up in bandages and was walking with a crutch. The Customs officer attempted to search [ ] and he assaulted him with this crutch. [ ] stated that he has learned that in addition to being arrested for assaulting the Customs officer, [ ] has also been charged with smuggling narcotics as three pounds of marijuana were located inside either the cast or bandages. [ ] was accompanied by a Muslim female who was dressed up with a false stomach, giving her the appearance of being pregnant and that she had gotten away. This girl was carrying an undetermined amount of cocaine in the false stomach.

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[ ] is also involved in numerous truck hijackings and that he fences everything in New Jersey.

[ ] advised that [ ] lives at [ ] Philadelphia, Pa., and identified his residence as [ ]

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[redacted] He advised [redacted] drives a maroon car with black vinyl top, 1971 Cadillac Fleetwood but that this car is registered in the name of the girl [redacted] resides with, whom he knows only as [redacted] description is:

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Race:	Negro
Sex:	Male
Height:	5'8"
Weight:	220 pounds
Age:	Late 30's
Hair:	Short, small mustache

[redacted] stated that [redacted] and [redacted] are running the entire operation that [redacted] and [redacted] were involved with.

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[redacted] advised that Black, Inc., is now putting black trash cans in various neighborhoods and are doing this under the guise of attempting to clean up streets of trash. However, he advised that the appearance of these black cans signifies someone in that block is paying money to a representative of this group. He identified [redacted] and [redacted] as being involved in shaking down individuals in South Philadelphia and identified them as members of this organization known as Black, Inc. Additionally, he advised meetings of this organization had previously taken place somewhere in the vicinity of 31st and Tasker Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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[redacted] advised that he was at the bar located at 15th and South Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., approximately four months ago when [redacted] aka [redacted] came in and took BERNIE FIELDS out of that bar. A short time later FIELDS was shot to death and he was of the opinion that [redacted] had done the shooting. In addition, [redacted] stated that he has heard that [redacted] was also responsible for shooting of (FNU) [redacted] at Reed and Woodstock Streets a while back.

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The Mafia is currently meeting at an old police gym on 20th and Pemberton Streets. The Mafia fixed the gym up inside and has posted an armed guard at a peephole in the front door. There is always someone at the door and usually several other people inside. He advised that it is most crowded on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

[redacted] stated that he is not aware of the numbers operation being run by the Black Mafia, but he has seen large amounts of money being brought into the 20th and Pemberton Streets meeting site. He is aware of extortions being run by the Mafia and stated that [redacted] is paying \$700 per week in protection money. The Mafia member who usually contacts [redacted] for the payments is [redacted]. He further advised that he learned through [redacted] of the Black Mafia, that the Mafia currently takes in \$60,000 per week.

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With regard to the Black Mafia's other sources of income, [redacted] advised that they sponsor a dance held every Thursday night at the O.V. Cattle Lodge on 16th and Fitzwater Streets. According to him, they also hold other functions such as the one held at the Sheraton Hotel, 18th and JFK, which was run by Black Incorporated.

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[redacted] stated that Black Incorporated, Black B Incorporated, etc, are all overt arms of the Black Mafia. He further advised that at the present time the Philadelphia Mosque of the NOI is not getting any money from the Black Mafia. He stated that some pressure has been put on [redacted] by members of the NOI to contribute part of the take to the NOI and recently [redacted] showed up at the Mosque and donated \$100.

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[redacted] advised that the contract is still out on GEORGE "BO" ABNEY. He stated that [redacted]

[redacted] is the individual who picked up the contract. He further advised that he has heard that ABNEY has left town. He stated that the Mafia is currently working on [redacted]

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[redacted] has not come around to the Mafia's way of thinking and source feels that a contract will shortly be put out on him. He stated that [redacted] drives a 1971 or 1972 orange Cadillac.

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[ ] advised that he is aware the Black Mafia has extended its roots into the City Government as well as the Police Force. He stated that he believes [ ] a state representative and one-time drug pusher in South Philadelphia and [ ] are connected with the Mafia. He stated that [ ] was also connected with the Mafia before his death several weeks ago.

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[ ] stated that he has heard that a contract has been put out on two Philadelphia Police Department stake-out policemen. He could not recall the policemen's names or who accepted the contract, but advised that he would try to learn more details on this.

On November 28, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

A man named [ ] was recently abducted by some individuals demanding money and members of [ ] were held as hostage. Details of this matter appeared in the "Philadelphia Evening Bulletin" and the "Philadelphia Daily News" on November 27, 1973. Source advised that he knows [ ] and at one time [ ] worked as an employee of one of his office men in his numbers operations. [ ] was known to the [ ]. The four individuals who victimized [ ] were Black Muslims and members of "Black Mafia".

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In addition, source advised that [ ] was also recently severely beaten by members of the Black Mafia.

Another individual, name unknown by [ ] was also recently receiving pressure from the Black Mafia. This individual runs a bar at 46th and Wyalusing called the 421 Bar. This individual has a terminal disease and for that reason does not fear the Black Mafia. He allegedly told the Black Mafia the last time they were in his bar that if they came back they had better be ready for action because he would be waiting for them, indicating that he would put up a fight.

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On November 29, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

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The Black Mafia is heavily entrenched in the narcotics business in Philadelphia. He advised that they are now selling in all parts of the city and that the pushers who will not join them are being eliminated. The Mafia's most recent target is reportedly [ ] (LNU), who sells in the area of 18th and South Streets.

On November 30, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] is believed to be the man who fingers exactly who the Black Mafia extorts. [ ] knows who is selling drugs, operating numbers operations, etc. One of the Black Mafia's latest victims is the operator of Brownies Bar, located across the street from [ ] place. The owner allegedly has vowed that he will not pay. He has received two visits from members of the Black Mafia.

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On November 30, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

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LARRY HUFFY and his girl friend, PATRICIA, who were found dead in HUFFY's auto near Society Hill, were probably killed. HUFFY and the Negro female were both shot to death, and the Philadelphia Police Department (PPD) believes it to be a murder-suicide. HUFFY was in the Black Mafia and was a known drug dealer. He allegedly was on the "outs" with the organization.

The Black Mafia is also trying to move into the Camden, N.J., area. There have been several murders of narcotics pushers in Camden within the last two months. One of the murders was made out to be an accidental fire. However, an autopsy showed the victim to have three bullets in the head.

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On November 30, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

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The members of the Black Mafia, specifically those in the Black Inc., Organization are very disturbed because of the raid on its 20th and Pemberton Street office. Also, the notebooks seized by the PHPD after stopping a member for a traffic violation has them furious. The books listed members and victims who had been paying off. [ ] advised that he is still being pressured to join the organization but resisted so far.

He has heard the Black Mafia is running numbers out of the 20th and Pemberton location. This is what he heard, but he has not seen any numbers activity so far.

[ ] further advised that Black, Inc., is trying to secure some kind of Federal grant, and is in the process of writing up a proposal for it. They are allegedly getting support from a [ ] and their legal work handled by Attorney A. BENJAMIN JOHNSON. Source stated that [ ] was once connected with an organization called Council For Youth Development, in which funding from the Federal Government was involved. The money was misused, mismanaged and no accounting for it was ever forthcoming. This is a lucrative source of money with little or no strings attached.

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The Black Mafia is now extorting money from [ ]

[ ] Her numbers activity is conducted out of a candy store at 17th and Federal, on the west side of 17th Street.

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On December 3, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

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On referenced date, captioned source advised that he has learned that the Black Mafia has a "contract" out on GEORGE (BO) ABNEY, but he did not know the identity of the individual who has issued the contract or the individual who has it.

On December 6, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

One of the Mafia's [ ] who resides in the [ ]. She receives some of the larger supplies of narcotics for the Black Mafia. He advised that she always has a supply of narcotics in her home and that she [ ]

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[ ] aka [ ] She has several children around the [ ]

[ ] drives a 1971 black customized Cadillac Coupe DeVille with a white vinyl top. In addition to the narcotics, [ ]

[ ] is a close friend of most of the Mafia members and that [ ] and [ ] are longtime friends.

On December 6, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

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Since the killing of TOMMY FARRINGTON a couple of months ago there have been at least two additional shootings that he is aware of in the vicinity of the bar at 18th and Cumberland Streets. He is not certain about the nature of these shootings or know any of the people involved but the "word" is these shootings were relative to the Black Mafia and the attempts of this organization to control all of the narcotics trafficking in Philadelphia.

He said the Black Mafia "just about" controls South Philly and West Philly and they are attempting to try their luck in North Philly.

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On December 8, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

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He was in a recent conversation with a friend of his, who had just been released from the Graterford Prison and who is a close associate of many Black Muslims. He learned from this individual that there is a contract out on

[ ], and [ ]. [ ] was told that this was because of the shakedowns and shootings committed by [ ] under the direction of [ ], including the shooting of TOMMY FARRINGTON and the dispute-beating of [ ] and [ ].

He was told that several individuals are holding [ ] responsible for [ ] actions. He was also in a conversation with [ ] and learned from them that the two have heard that a contract has been put out on their father and that he is currently avoiding his bar and other places he normally frequents. [ ] also advised that he has learned that a contract has been put out for the death of drug dealer, [ ] (ph) of [ ].

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[ ] advised that on December 8, 1973, at the Paradise Bar, located at Jefferson and Ridge Avenue, in North Philadelphia, a meeting was held by several North Philadelphia numbers bankers, including the following:



Most of the conversation at the gathering was a combination of a social event and business talk regarding numbers hits and mutual problems including shakedowns by the Black Mafia. [ ] was able to determine, from the conversation, that the recent shooting into the front windows of GEORGE CROWDER's residence on Willington Street, was related to Black Mafia shakedowns. Another incident which was discussed was the recent beating of numbers banker [ ]

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On December 21, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

Members of the Black Mafia shot a [ ] at a recent party in an "after hours joint" in West Philadelphia. They also [ ] aka [ ] on another occasion. [ ]

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Although the Black Mafia continues to extort from individuals in the black community they have been "strangely quiet" since the arrest of [ ]. However, [ ] arrest has not had that much to do with decrease in activity. He believes they are trying to stay out of the attention of the police and the media because of pressure being applied to them.

It is also rumored that people are coming into town from Chicago to see why the money has not been going to the temple in Chicago.

[ ] also said a lot of pressure is being applied to the local Mosque to contribute more money to the temple in Chicago and because of this, its members, "who have a criminal mentality anyway" have resorted back to stick-ups and street crimes to come up with the money.

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On January 2, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

A tavern at 56th and Lansdowne is right next to an apartment occupied by a member of a Negro hoodlum group known as the Black Mafia. This individual is known as [ ] and he lives at [ ] is associated with other Black Mafia members known to him as [ ] from [ ] as well as a number of other unknown Negro males. [ ] stated that he has seen as many as 15 to 20 men come out of [ ] apartment over the weekend. Another house that is being used as a meeting place for these individuals is at [ ]. These individuals have regularly been using the pay telephone in his bar in order to make telephone calls that they do not want to be traced by authorities. Several times each week, [ ] or one of his associates comes into the bar, gets about

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\$5.00 worth of change, and makes long distance telephone calls. Their most recent calls have been to Detroit where they discussed the possibility of attempting to get bail money from Black Mafia member [redacted]. The pay phone has telephone number 879-9789.

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Recently the Muslims stopped coming into the bar to make these phone calls because of a shoot-out that occurred at [redacted] and several other men. [redacted] and several other women still reside in the apartment but that the Black Mafia men very seldom come to the place.

In connection with [redacted] the Black Mafia members are extorting money from various West Philadelphia store and tavern owners in order to raise a legal defense fund and bail money for [redacted]. One of the places where the Black Mafia meets and organizes shakedowns is a store at 56th and Media. This [redacted] who are associated with the Black Muslim Movement. They are [redacted] personally involved in racketeering activities such as numbers and loansharking and are very knowledgeable about who else is involved in rackets business. As a result, they are able to furnish intelligence to Black Mafia members, thus enabling them to extort money from racketeering figures. The following locations are making payments to the Black Mafia:

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1. [redacted] from the restaurant at 57th and Wyalusing.
2. [redacted]
3. [redacted] from North Philadelphia.
4. [redacted]
5. [redacted]

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[ ] learned from one of his associates that shortly after the indictment against [ ] was published, [ ] was being hidden out in Germantown for about two to three weeks. Subsequent to that, [ ] has been moved out of the City of Philadelphia and he has no idea where he went.

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On January 21, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

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Both black and white cops, especially black cops are capitalizing on the activities of the Black Mafia by stopping them and taking their money without arresting them and by getting favors from the Black Mafia members such as happened recently when some of them were approached by cops who had heard they were going to the fights in New York and asked them to get them "some of those \$125 tickets to the fights". On occasions cops have been known to have drinks with the Black Mafia in Neet Viner's place on Market Street.

On January 31, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

Due to extortion by the Black Mafia and recent robbery attempts by persons unknown, [ ] is considerably paranoid at the present time and does not drive his own car, but is chauffeured around by several individuals. Additionally, he is maintaining an apartment somewhere.

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[ ] and other North Philadelphia old-time numbers men and racketeers have enlisted the services of individuals whom they refer to as a hit squad. Reportedly, these people are individuals who are hired to protect [ ] and the others from extortion by the Black Mafia or anyone, and also to serve as a deterrent to competition in their gambling or narcotics business. Allegedly, [ ] is one of the members of this hit squad, who is specifically responsible for [ ] safety. There are about ten people in the narcotics and armed robbery business, in North Philadelphia who are missing and believed to be dead. One such person is [ ] who was a narcotics pusher for [ ]

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On February 1, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia gave a dance at the Win. Ballroom located at 54th and Media Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa. on February 16, 1974. They were allegedly giving away a color TV set to the best dancers.

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The Black Mafia has brought several bullet-proof vests for members in the leadership. The rest of the members had to pay for the vest out of their own pockets. [ ] brought one of the vests to this writer. The vests are blue in color and have all the markings of the manufacturer deleted (the vest was taken to the PHPD, Armament Unit, who advised that the vest could stop a .38 caliber bullet without much penetration).

[ ] was shot last week and was hospitalized for a few days. Several members of the 20th and Carpenter group were arrested by PHPD for the shooting incident.

[ ] also was shot, but did not require any hospitalization.

[ ] aka [ ] allegedly is [ ]

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Black "B", Inc., members are now selling a hair preparation called "Son of the Temple" which is made and distributed by Black "B" Inc.

On February 4, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] used to work together. [ ] also worked with BO ABNEY in his narcotics operation, and is now selling narcotics on his own. [ ] is selling the Black Mafia's narcotics and was recently seen at a Black Mafia meeting with [ ]

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On February 6, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

The two people supplying dope to the Black Mafia are [ ] both negro males. [ ] is a fugitive from New Jersey.

On February 13, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

[ ] also known as [ ] is a "fence" and is paying the Black Mafia. [ ] had been making the pick-ups for the Black Mafia but source thinks that [ ] is now taking the money.

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An individual known to [ ] as [ ] is a larger fence than [ ] operates his fence as well as a fairly large numbers business out of his club on 11th and Titan Streets. He is also paying extortion money to the Black Mafia. [ ], a representative of the Black Mafia, reportedly collected \$700 from [ ] approximately a month ago.

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On March 19 and 29, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

A Philadelphia policeman was shot in a drug raid war, 20th and Carpenter Streets, on March 18, 1974. The person who shot this officer was being threatened and extorted by members of the Black Mafia and mistook these officers to be Black Mafia hoodlums, who were after his drug supply and money. This person had been paying the Black Mafia at the time of this incident.

[ ] has been pressured by the Black Mafia to pay \$500 a week to protect her "lead joint" in the 22nd and Berks Street area. Another black female gambler, known only as [ ] (LNU), near Broad and Glenwood, has also been threatened.

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About three weeks ago, [redacted] was drinking in a bar at 19th and Mountain Streets, which is a Black Mafia hangout. A short time after [redacted] left, [redacted] and four Black Mafia men came to the bar in a Cadillac and were looking for [redacted]

A friend of [redacted], known only as [redacted] was in the bar and warned [redacted]. [redacted] and his brother (FNU) [redacted] got some guns and went right back to the bar to confront [redacted]. Source does not know the result of this confrontation or its reason.

This occurred on the same day Philadelphia Police Department Officer [redacted] was shot by narcotics pusher, (FNU) [redacted]. The Black Mafia had been trying to extort protection money from [redacted] prior to his shooting Officer [redacted]. [redacted] are close friends of [redacted]. [redacted] drinks a lot and also uses the drug Valium, which keeps him "way up in outer space".

On March 28, 1971, [redacted] furnished the following information:

GEORGE "BO" ABNEY, who was recently beheaded, was a large narcotics dealer in the North Philadelphia area. The Black Mafia put a contract out for ABNEY because he failed to heed their demands. ABNEY, according to [redacted] was a good friend and business partner of [redacted] also a large narcotics dealer and numbers banker in North Philadelphia. The Black Mafia members were trying to give a message to [redacted] by leaving ABNEY's head on the doorstep of [redacted] bar.

[redacted] a Negro male, approximately 42 years old, makes frequent trips to the Bahamas and the Virgin Islands. He has some type of contact there as well as owning property on the island. [redacted] who was an ex-Philadelphia police officer, worked on the Narcotics Squad. He was forced to resign due to corruption charges. While on the Narcotics Squad, he learned the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of everyone dealing in narcotics and any

type of illegal activity. [ ] was also a very good friend of TYRONNE PALMER, who was shot and killed in the Atlantic City shoot-out on Easter Sunday of 1972. Involved in this shoot-out were [ ] Also a very good friend of [ ] was TOMMY FARRINGTON. FARRINGTON was killed approximately four months ago in front of Ernie Kelly's Bar located at 18th and Cumberland Street. Both of these men, PALMER and FARRINGTON, were large distributors of narcotics and allegedly had strong connection with [ ] of New York City.

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[ ] a Negro male who lives in New York City, is presently wanted by the Drug Enforcement Agency and is in fugitive status. According to [ ] the street information is that [ ] took a million dollars in cash and is now living somewhere in Alziers. [ ] presently deals in cocaine in a large way. [ ]

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[ ] helped supply all of the taverns located in the Cgontz Avenue area with cocaine and any other hard drugs they might need. He has a girl friend whose first name is [ ]

[ ] drives a 1973 white Mark IV, Lincoln Continental, and his wife drives a 1973 Cadillac, El Dorado.

Many Black Mafia members and associates such as [ ] and others hang out in [ ] bar on [ ]. It is street knowledge that [ ] is the main one who fingers people for Black Mafia members to shake down and extort because of his vast knowledge of those dealings in illegal business, which he acquired on the PHPD.

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[redacted] Black Mafia Member, who is wanted by the Internal Revenue Service, has been seen lately at Cero's Place on Ogontz Avenue. He has been seen mainly on Friday and Saturday nights just before closing time. [redacted] normally travels with two or three men, all of them armed. Because of this activity, [redacted] has been trying to sell his bar. Many Black Mafia members and associates will come to the bar, order drinks for everybody and refuse to pay. Since [redacted] can say or do nothing about this, it is ruining his business. As a matter of fact, according to [redacted], if it was not for [redacted] illegal trafficking in narcotics, both bars would have gone under a long time ago.

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[redacted] also an ex-police officer who worked with [redacted] on the Narcotics Squad, used to sell quite a bit of narcotics from his car located on Stenton Avenue. However, he is no longer in the narcotics business because his bar is thriving without it.

The largest black narcotics distributor in North Philadelphia is a fellow by the name of [redacted]. His real name is [redacted] and he [redacted]

[redacted] drives a 1974 Mercedes and also a 1972 white Cadillac Coupe DeVille. It is alleged that [redacted] owns a \$75,000 to \$85,000 home in Cherry Hill, N.J., exact address unknown. The following individuals are large narcotics dealers principally in black concentrated areas:

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A Negro male who drives  
a 1973 Cadillac El Dorado

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[redacted]  
A Negro male with strong  
Black Mafia ties

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[redacted]  
A Negro male who deals in  
narcotics out of [redacted]  
[redacted] He owns two  
Corvettes (Sting Ray models),  
one Cadillac and one Mustang

[redacted]  
A Black Mafia member  
Alias [redacted]  
also a Negro male

[redacted]  
Deals in area of [redacted]  
[redacted]  
Tillman's Turf,  
also a Negro male

[redacted]  
A Negro female,  
works the 20th and  
Reed Street area

[redacted]  
Also a large narcotics dealer.  
[redacted]

[redacted]  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
A Negro female

[redacted]  
Source advised that [redacted]  
Negro male, 30-35 years old,  
was recently released from prison.  
He is now back in the stolen money  
order and fraudulent check business.

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[redacted] allegedly is a very good friend of [redacted] who is presently a federal fugitive on a fraudulent check case. [redacted] described [redacted] as a Negro male, approximately 5'7", 140 pounds. [redacted] sometimes runs around with [redacted], a Negro male approximately 55 years, who lives in North Philadelphia. [redacted] always know where the others can be contacted, [redacted] who lives in the [redacted]

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[redacted] has recently been seen in Camden, N.J., at the home of one [redacted]

[redacted] allegedly lives on [redacted] Black Mafia members are presently shaking down a [redacted] located at [redacted] allegedly is dealing either in numbers or narcotics. Source stated that [redacted] white male, owner of Horror World, meets two or three times with Black Mafia members at the Cave Nightclub in the 100 block of North 11th Street. [redacted] has strong connections with white organized crime elements and is possibly a financier for narcotics for the Black Mafia. [redacted] allegedly has a strong like for black women who dress mod.

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Black Mafia members presently have a contract out for [redacted] aka [redacted], because of his cooperation with the FBI which led to the arrest of [redacted] as well as other Black Mafia members. The price of \$5,000 has been put on the head of [redacted] in order to keep him from testifying in Federal court. [redacted]

[redacted] and [redacted] are only Black Mafia associates but are members of the Nation of Islam better known as Black Muslims. [redacted] allegedly was a "hit man" long before he went to prison, [redacted] a Negro female, is a shoplifter (booster), as well as fraudulent check passer. [redacted] is a former girl friend of [redacted] and has one or more children by [redacted] [redacted] alleged that if [redacted] is in town, [redacted] will know about it. [redacted] feels that [redacted] were friends years ago and have remained close down thru the years. [redacted]

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[redacted]  
is very close to Black Mafia members such as [redacted]  
and [redacted] was in daily contact with [redacted]  
[redacted] while in the Detroit area. [redacted] feels that [redacted]  
[redacted] will also remain in close contact with [redacted]  
[redacted] because it is a ready source of funds. [redacted]  
allegedly is living in Los Angeles, Calif., although he is  
from the South Philadelphia area. [redacted] identified [redacted]  
[redacted] who is a Black Mafia member. [redacted] is  
a narcotics pusher and very close friend of [redacted]  
aka [redacted] [redacted] is a Negro male, approximately  
20-25 years old, who lives in the South Philadelphia area.  
[redacted] a Negro male is a large narcotics distributor  
and is now a member of the Black Mafia due strictly to [redacted]  
[redacted] pull. He has a [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted] was recently held up by Black Mafia members and one  
kilo of heroin was taken. Also his New York connection was  
held up by Black Mafia members. According to [redacted] Black  
Mafia pulled a double cross by giving money to [redacted]  
to buy drugs from his connection in New York City. When  
the drugs came to Philadelphia, Black Mafia members had the  
drugs taken from the courier along with the money they gave  
[redacted] to buy the narcotics. The next day they went  
back to [redacted] and asked for the narcotics. When he  
could not come up with the narcotics, they then made him  
come up with their money. In this way they got the nar-  
cotics free. Another member of the Black Mafia and also  
a drug dealer is [redacted] He lives in North Phila-  
delphia and drives a 1973 green Cadillac Mi Dorado and is  
a very good friend of Black Mafia associate nicknamed [redacted]  
Both [redacted] and [redacted], have  
drug charges outstanding. [redacted] allegedly sold narcotics  
to police undercover officers and [redacted] was recently convicted  
by Drug Enforcement Agency and sentenced to six months im-  
prisonment. [redacted], the Black Mafia  
associate who has some type of firearms contact. It is  
alleged that [redacted] can get any type of weapon wanted  
by Black Mafia members as well as explosives. [redacted]  
drives a small green Volkswagen bearing Pennsylvania license  
[redacted] He was also assigned the job of helping to set  
up [redacted] the leader of the 20th and Carpenter  
Street gang. He refused and has since been ostracized by  
Black Mafia masters.

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Black B, Inc., is now selling a hair product called "Son of the Temple". It is made by a national manufacturer and is being distributed by Black B, Inc. A Negro male whose first name is [redacted] sells narcotics for [redacted].

[redacted] but keeps his narcotics in the Wilson Projects at [redacted]

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[redacted] advised also being extorted is a supermarket called ED and JOE's, located at 16th and Federal Streets.

[redacted] aka [redacted], is a partner in a grocery store with his brother [redacted] and an unknown Negro male. The store is located at 27th and Allegheny Avenue.

On April 15, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

The Black Mafia has suffered a great deal since the arrest of [redacted]

[redacted] is back on the street dealing in drugs again and is currently working out of J. & J. Bar, 20th and York, Philadelphia, Pa.

[redacted] who is the owner of the J. & J. Bar, 20th and York, is being picked up by [redacted] aka [redacted]

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[redacted] aka [redacted], is on Federal parole and currently on bail for local charges and is extremely scared.

The Black Mafia within the last few days bought a half kilo of heroin on consignment for \$42,000 from [redacted] lives [redacted] (phonetic) [redacted]

[redacted] The above mentioned house has a [redacted] on the screen door.

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[redacted] doing business as [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
He has been out of town [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
three to four years. [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
has a merchantile license and is [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
with the LCN.

On April 30, 1970, [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]

He has heard that [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
is [redacted] who owns the [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
and [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
the Black Mafia after [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
tortion payments. [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
black, with New Jersey [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
Thunderbird with Pennsylvania [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
January, the Philadelphia [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
variety store and food [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
as syringes and needles [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
that [redacted] also keeps [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
location.

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On May 1, 1970, [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]

[redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
vicinity of [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
recently reapproached by [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
was approached several [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
severely beaten at [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
get any money during the [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
two or three weeks ago [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
[redacted] again. The Black Mafia [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
drugs and cigarettes [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
donation". The Black Mafia [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
tell [redacted] they know [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
cluding information [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
that he did not think [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
anything on their [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
approached by a [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
[redacted] had seen the Black Mafia [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
able to stall [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]

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any knowledge about the matter. The Black Man [redacted] told [redacted] they would be back in touch; however, [redacted] has not indicated anyone has recontacted him at the present.

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[redacted] does not have any idea of who these people are who are attempting to get money from him.

After [redacted] was approached by these individuals one of [redacted] closest friends, [redacted] urged [redacted] to go to some of the Black Mafia meetings to see what they were interested in. [redacted] "they tried to talk to [redacted] and you see what happened to him". [redacted] is actually BO ABNEY, whose head was found on a doorstep in the vicinity of Ridge Avenue within the last month or so. [redacted] indicated that [redacted] and [redacted] (ph) were the individuals who tried to talk to BO prior to his death. It is possible that [redacted] is associated with the Black Mafia in Philadelphia. [redacted] is known to deal in cocaine and he is probably trying to play both ends against the middle.

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On May 6, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

He is familiar with a man named [redacted] (phonetic). [redacted] is from the West Philadelphia, Pa., area in the vicinity of [redacted] [redacted] who is in tight with the Black Mafia in Philadelphia, Pa., is a big time gambler and is also involved in dealing with cocaine. [redacted] goes with [redacted] by the name of [redacted] who works at the Gold Nent Bar, Girard and Ridge Avenue.

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[redacted] advised that BO ABNEY owned the Black Velvet Bar, which is located in the vicinity of 21st Street and Ridge and Oxford Streets. ABNEY bought the bar about two months before his death. A partner of ABNEY, name unknown, continues to operate the bar. The bar was not even closed during the burial of BO ABNEY. Many of the Black Mafia associates hang out at the Black Velvet Bar and it is the [redacted] theory that someone extremely close to ABNEY was responsible for killing him.

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[redacted] is an individual who a long time hustler in Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted] is believed to be involved in dealing with cocaine as well as heroin and he definitely associates with the Black Mafia. [redacted] is playing "both ends against the middle" in his dealing with the Black Mafia. [redacted] lives someplace in the vicinity of Marvine and Erie Avenues and during evening hours he is found in the vicinity of [redacted] at Broad and [redacted]. [redacted] was last known to own a Buick 1965 or 1966 Cadillac.

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On May 29, 1974, [redacted] advised as follows:

There is an individual named [redacted] (LNU) [redacted] [redacted] telephone number TR7-2646. [redacted] Source described [redacted] as a narcotics dealer who turns in fairly large quantities of heroin. Primarily, [redacted] deals directly from his store through a group of pushers. [redacted] drives an old car whenever he is transporting any narcotics so as not to attract the attention of the police. He keeps the heroin behind a loose brick in the basement wall of his store.

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There is another narcotics dealer named [redacted] (LNU) who operates from a store at [redacted] also has a number of pushers and they work for him coming working from his store.

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Both [redacted] and [redacted] obtain their heroin primarily through [redacted] who operates out of a tavern at 22nd and Oxford Streets. Source said [redacted] that [redacted] heroin to [redacted] and [redacted] in places on [redacted] and is also able to obtain more than one kilo of heroin if necessary. [redacted] is a close associate of [redacted] and [redacted], true name [redacted] both of whom are believed to belong to the Black Mafia which controls a number of [redacted] narcotics dealer in West Philadelphia. The narcotics dealer can operate in one of two ways. They can operate like [redacted] who buys directly from [redacted] and "100" for [redacted] part of the operation; or they can be independent like [redacted] who buys from [redacted] on an open market basis. However, an independent like [redacted] is required to pay tribute to the Black Mafia.

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[redacted] lives in West Philadelphia and his home is a buying place for numerous weapons used by the Black Mafia. [redacted] deals in narcotics and that he is a distributor of sizable amounts of heroin. This heroin is usually hidden in an apartment near [redacted]. This location is used by [redacted] as a cutting and weighing house also. As to the guns, source stated "Pete" has told him that they are kept hidden until one of the brothers has to do a job then he can come over and borrow a gun.

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B. BLACK MAFIA HANGOUTS

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On December 13, 1973, [ ] advised as follows:

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The address of [ ] is an area frequented by numerous members of the so-called Black Mafia. [ ] stated that these individuals use this area to split their takes and other activities. He advised that at this time, he does not know the specific address.

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On January 2, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

An individual known to him as (First Name Unknown) [ ] is noted in Philadelphia for check passing, passing stolen credit cards, and hijacking trucks. [ ]

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[ ] Rat's Place is a known hangout for members of the Black Mafia.

On February 14, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

He observed [ ] and five other individuals, allegedly members of "Black, Incorporated", or the "Black Mafia", about one week ago at the Legion Post located at the intersection of 20th and Federal Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. He could not identify the other individuals, but described the leader as follows:

Race	Negro
Sex	Male
Height	6'1"
Weight	160 pounds
Age	32 to 33 years of age
Scars and marks	Four to five inch scar on right side of face.

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On March 17, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

A hot spot that is a hangout place for the Black Mafia is the Blue Velvet Lounge at 22nd and Ridge which belonged to BO ABNEY, who recently had his head cut off.

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[ ] indicated that contrary to the rumor going around in the street that the Black Mafia killed ABNEY, this is not so because he had recently joined the Black Mafia as a result of pressure they applied to him. The white boys, that is the Syndicate, did not like ABNEY's cooperation with the Black Mafia and allegedly they gave the contract to some Puerto Ricans to kill ABNEY; however, the Negro male nicknamed [ ] is, in some way, tied into the BO ABNEY murder.

[ ] and not MAJOR COXSON had the dope thing going in Philadelphia as was originally believed by everyone. Since COXSON's killing, very little, if anything, has been mentioned about [ ]. There is a possible connection between the murder of COXSON and [ ] however, [ ] the individual recently arrested by the FBI in Manayunk, were close friends and he could possibly be behind the COXSON murder.

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[ ] has been contacted by the Black Mafia in an attempt to extort from him [ ] he is frightened and would possibly talk to the FBI.

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C. POSSIBLE LCN COOPERATION

On March 7, 1974, [ ] subject of Philadelphia [ ] a close associate of the subject and current Top Ten RONALD HARVEY, was arrested at Philadelphia. As a result of investigation subsequent to the arrest, a letter has been obtained which was concealed among voluminous papers in [ ] apartment. The letter reads as follows

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"Tell [ ] and [ ] to go to [ ] and tell him to get help from the White Syndicate. Let them know if they get me out I can give them the Black numbers business in the whole town. It will be worth their while to pull me. I can deliver the town right away. Tell [ ] he can check with me on it. They will not open their mouth to Knowone. R and E should go to elections 100 men working on getting votes 500. If necessary they must sell me to the devils. If the devils think it will benefit him he will go to his bro's. Find people that were robbed in New York and place and pay them off. Attorney is working on police. Brother wants [ ] and [ ] on that St. Louis set up because he was with [ ] Tell [ ] to lay when he is here until after visit so he can take messages back instead of doing it on the phone."

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The [ ] referred to in the letter is probably [ ] in Philadelphia.

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On March 27, 1974, [ ] advised as follows:

Members of the Black Mafia went to a guy named [ ] (phonetic), also known as [ ] a former "dope biggie" and asked to see [ ] in order to make arrangements for [ ] to get out of jail. The person contacted was according to source a syndicate member named [ ] got no further than [ ] in his attempt to see [ ] Specifically [ ] went to the Syndicate to see who the money can go to in order to help [ ]

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Due to efforts of the FBI and success in arresting some of the key members of the Black Mafia they are now getting smart and using clean guys to do the dirt.

[ ] - LCN member)

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D. ARRESTS AND COURT ACTION RE BLACK MAFIA MEMBERS

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The following articles reflect arrests and court action concerning several principal figures in the Black Mafia:

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## FBI Holds Suspect In Coxson Murders

By BILL COLLINS  
Inquirer Staff Writer

Samuel R. Christian, one of two reputed members of a black crime syndicate in Philadelphia who were recently added to the FBI's most-wanted list, was arrested Tuesday in Detroit.

An FBI spokesman said Federal agents arrested Christian without a struggle early Tuesday evening in the 3600 block of Detroit's Hazelwood st.

"Christian will be arraigned in Detroit as soon as possible," the spokesman said.

Christian, 34, was wanted on a murder charge in connection with a 1972 shootout in an Atlantic City nightclub in which Tyrone Palmer, a suspected narcotics trafficker, and four other persons were killed.

He was wanted also in connection with the killing of one-time Camden mayoral candidate Major Coxson and the teenage daughter of Coxson's common-law wife.

The FBI spokesman said warrants were out for Christian for unlawful flight to avoid prosecution for armed robbery and the shooting of a New York City police detective also.

Christian has been described as a captain in Philadelphia's Black Mafia, a crime syndicate reportedly dominated by a Black Muslim sect.

Christian had been the object of a nationwide hunt since the April 3, 1972 killing of Palmer in the Club Harlem, one of Atlantic City's biggest night spots. Police have described the shooting as a gangland execution involving a power struggle in the drug racks.

Still at large is Ronald Harvey, 33, the other Philadelphian on the FBI's most-wanted list. Harvey has been indicted in the Jan. 18 killing of seven members of the Ha-rafi Madh hab Muslim sect in Washington, D.C.; he was indicted in the Coxson killings also.

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# S. Phila. Man Held In Extortion; Called 'Black Mafia' Leader

A South Philadelphia man identified by law enforcement authorities as the "local leader of the Black Mafia" was arrested by FBI agents on extortion charges in a West Oak Lane bar last night.

Another man was critically injured by a shotgun blast fired by an FBI agent during the arrest.

The suspect arrested, Larry Starks, 25, 1400 block S. 18th st., was a key figure in a gun battle in an Atlantic City nightclub in 1972 between rival narcotics gangs in which four persons were killed and 11, including Starks, were wounded.

An FBI spokesman said Starks and his cousin, Clarence Starks, 22, 2200 block Fitzwater st., South Philadelphia, entered Nookie's Bar, Medary ave. and Wister st., about 9 P.M.

## Shakedown Charge

The spokesman said the pair had contacted the owner of the bar, Ulysses J. Rice, several days ago and told him they wanted \$500.

"It was part of a Black Mafia shakedown," said a law enforcement officer.

The officer said Rice reported the call to the FBI, which agreed to place agents in the bar when the money was due to be handed over last night. The officer said Rice was also "wired for sound."

## Bar Staked Out

The FBI spokesman said agents staked out in the bar arrested the two Starks as Rice handed over the money in the bar. As the agents grabbed the pair, the spokesman said, another man sitting in the bar pulled a switchblade knife and charged the agents.

The spokesman said the man fired one shot at the agents from a sawed-off shotgun, the pellets striking him in the chest and neck.

The man, identified as Demetrius Knowles, 21, 600 block Limekiln place, West Oak

Lane, was reported in critical condition today at Germantown Hospital.

The FBI spokesman refused to name the agent who fired the shotgun, but he was later identified by a federal source as Walter McDonald.

Officials were uncertain whether Knowles was a mem-

ber of the Starks' group or just tried to help them when he saw they were in trouble. An FBI spokesman said Knowles has a record of six arrests, four on narcotics charges.

Larry Starks was a major figure in the shootout between rival Philadelphia narcotics gangs in the Club Harlem in Atlantic City, N.J., April 3, 1972.

The principal target was Tyrone Palmer, 24, 1505 N. Wanamaker st., described by police as a wealthy drug dealer with connections all along the East Coast. He was shot to death. Many victims were innocent bystanders.

## Charged in Shooting

Starks was charged with the shooting of Palmer's bodyguard, Gilbert Satterwhite, 25, 1211 Bouvier st., who died April 13, 1972, in Atlantic City Hospital. Starks was held in \$250,000 bail on the charge. The case has not been tried.

Starks was shot in the right thigh and back during the gun battle. He recovered after being hospitalized at Atlantic City Hospital.

Clarence Starks was acquitted by a Common Pleas jury in May 1970, of a murder charge stemming from the gang slaying of a South Philadelphia youth, Ronald Boyd, 19, 1910 Christian st. on Jan. 19, 1969.

Both Starks were charged when Clarence Knowles was charged with assaulting a federal officer.